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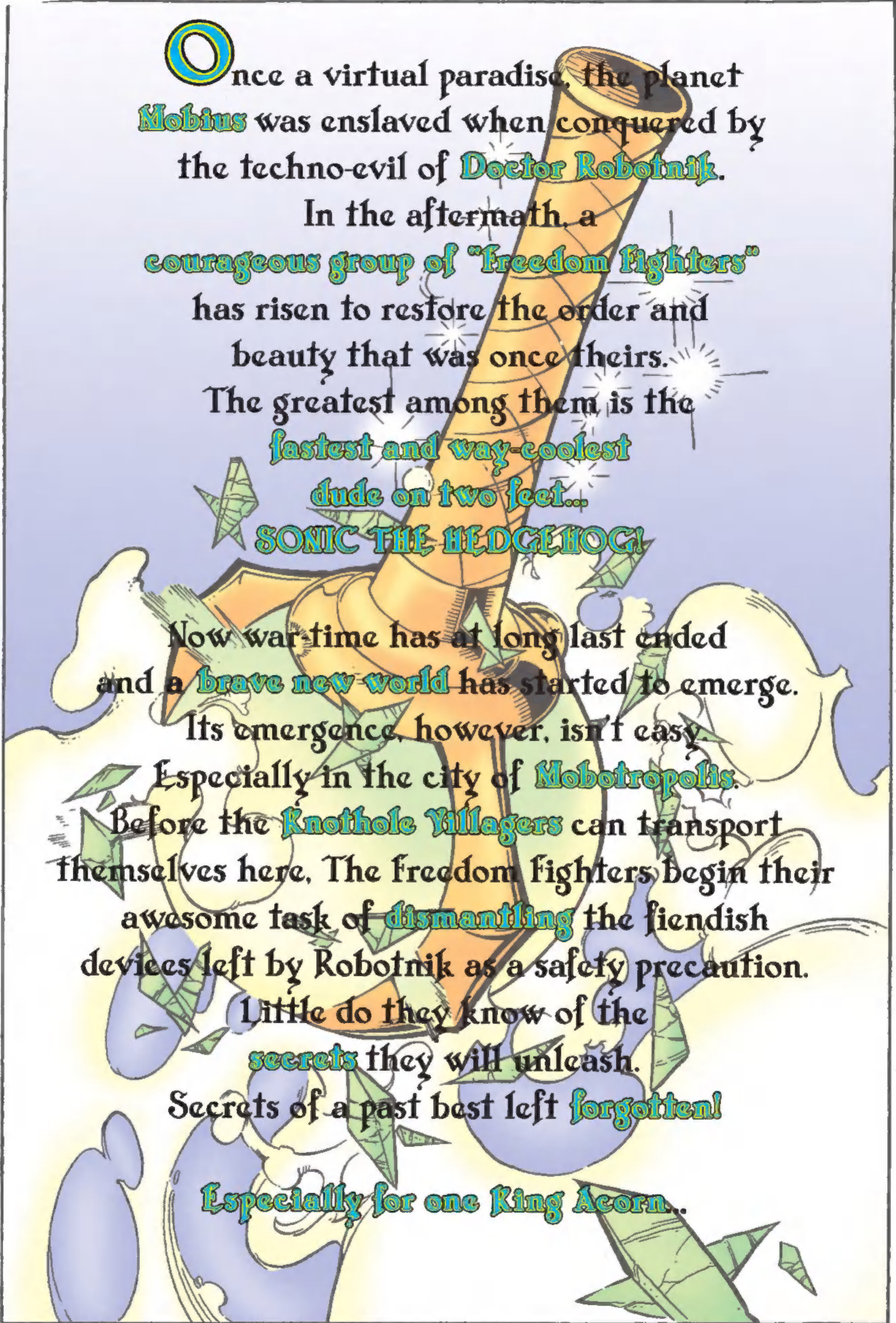
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SONIC™ THE HEDGEHOG

GUESS WHO'S COMING TO
DINNER?!?



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HARVO



Once a virtual paradise, the planet **Mobius** was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of **Doctor Robotnik**.

In the aftermath, a **courageous group of "Freedom Fighters"** has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs.

The greatest among them is the **fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...**

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Now war-time has at long last ended and a **brave new world** has started to emerge.

Its emergence, however, isn't easy.

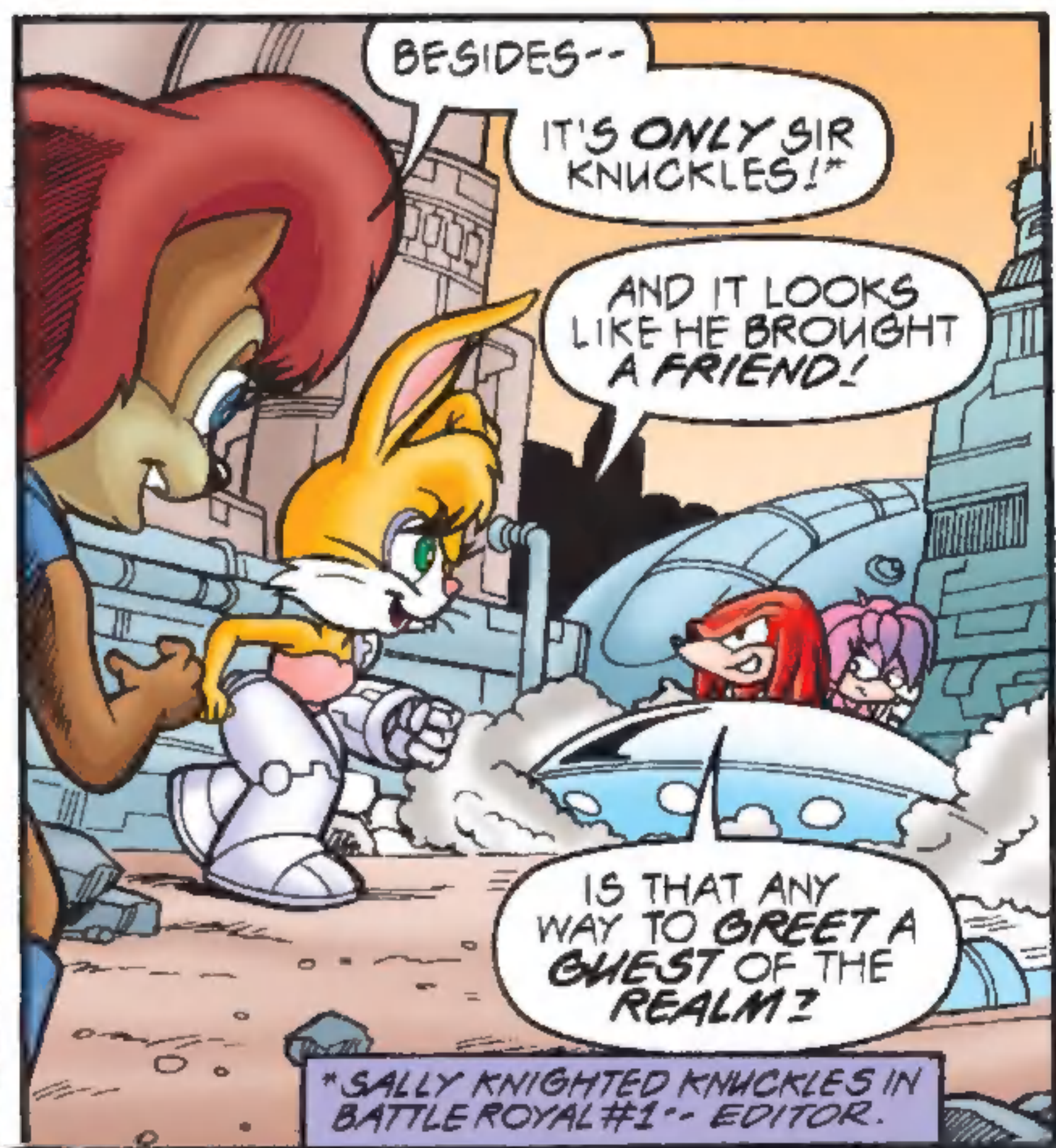
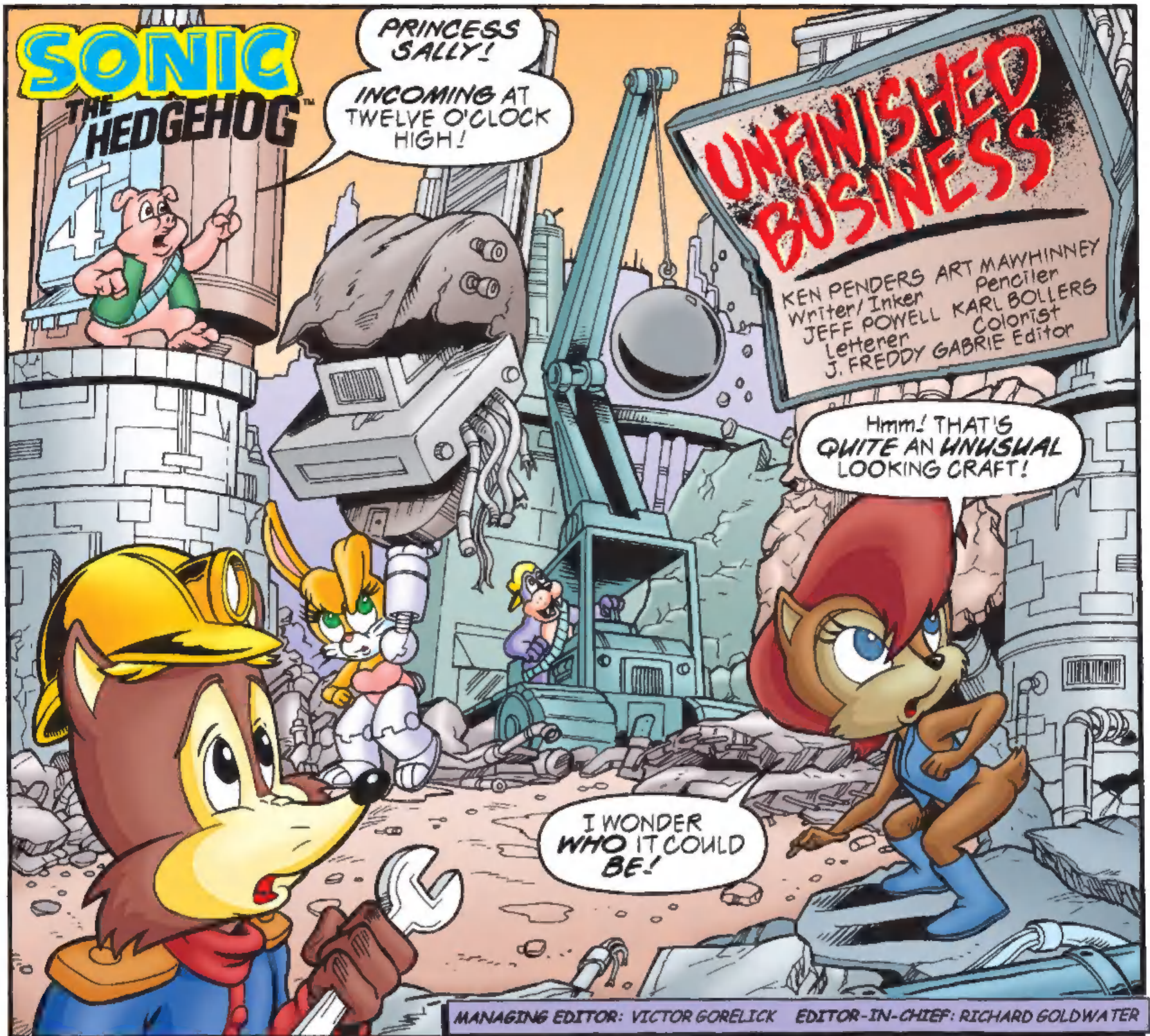
Especially in the city of **Mobotropolis**.

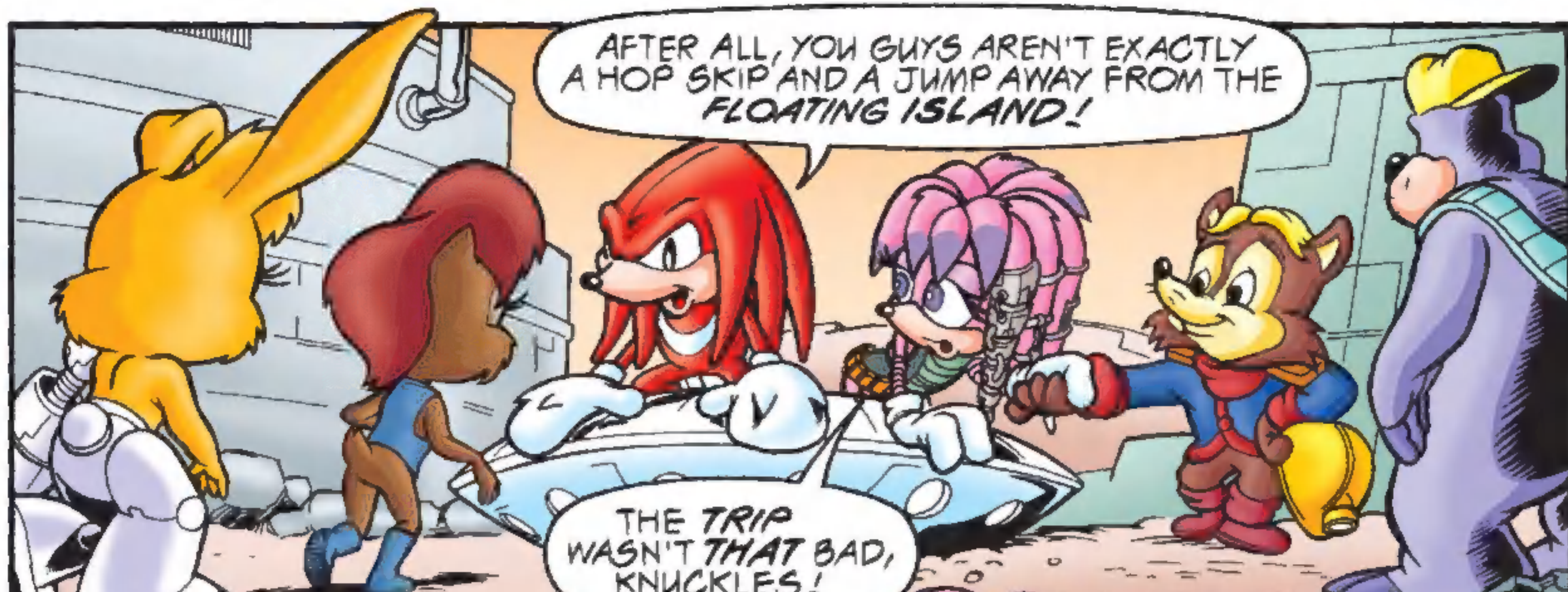
Before the **Knothole Villagers** can transport themselves here, The Freedom Fighters begin their awesome task of **dismantling** the fiendish devices left by Robotnik as a safety precaution.

Little do they know of the **secrets** they will unleash.

Secrets of a past best left **forgotten!**

Especially for one King Acorn...

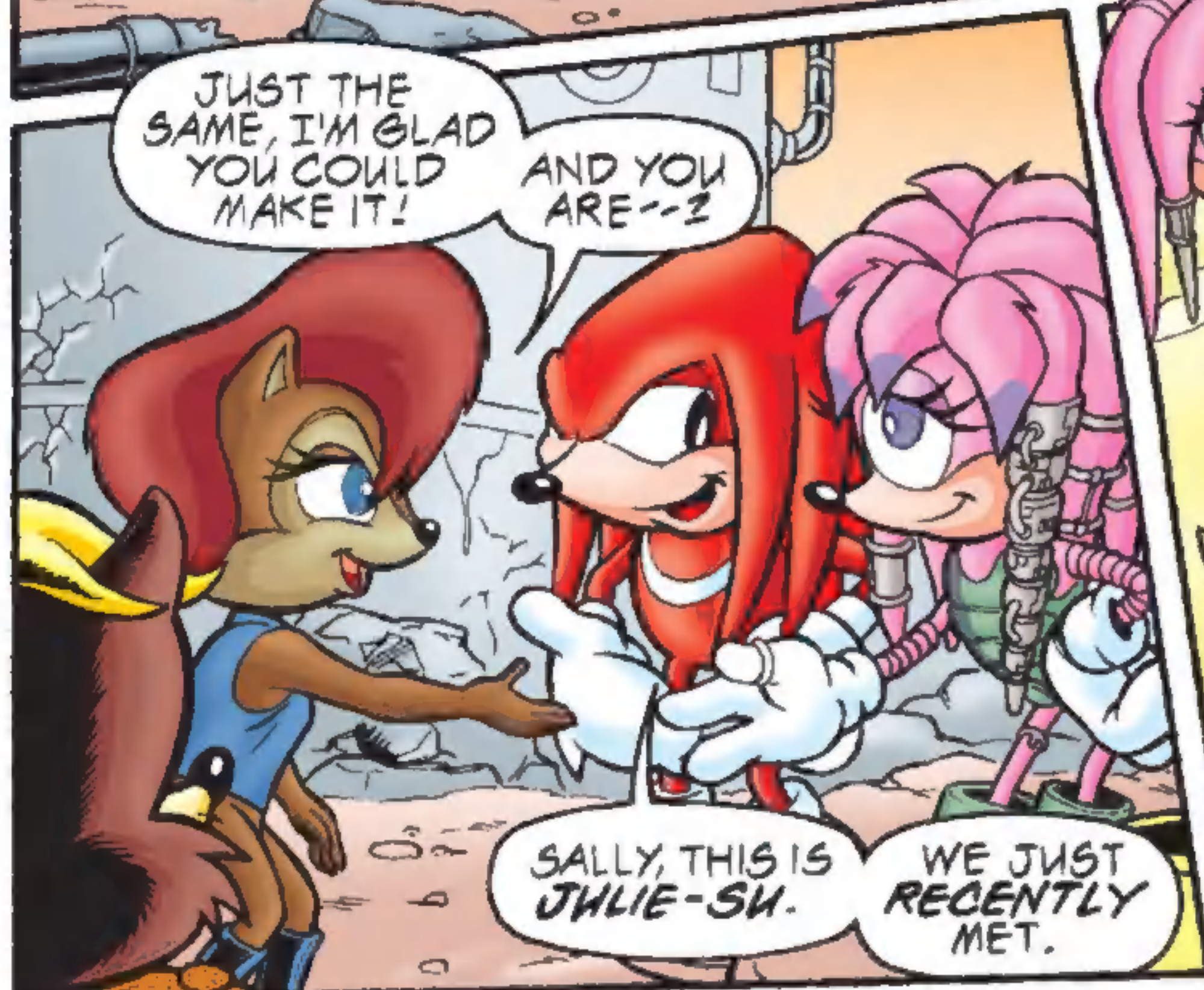




AFTER ALL, YOU GUYS AREN'T EXACTLY A HOP SKIP AND A JUMP AWAY FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND!

THE TRIP WASN'T THAT BAD, KNUCKLES!

"I GUESS YOU COULD SAY WE DIDN'T START OUT AS FRIENDS---"

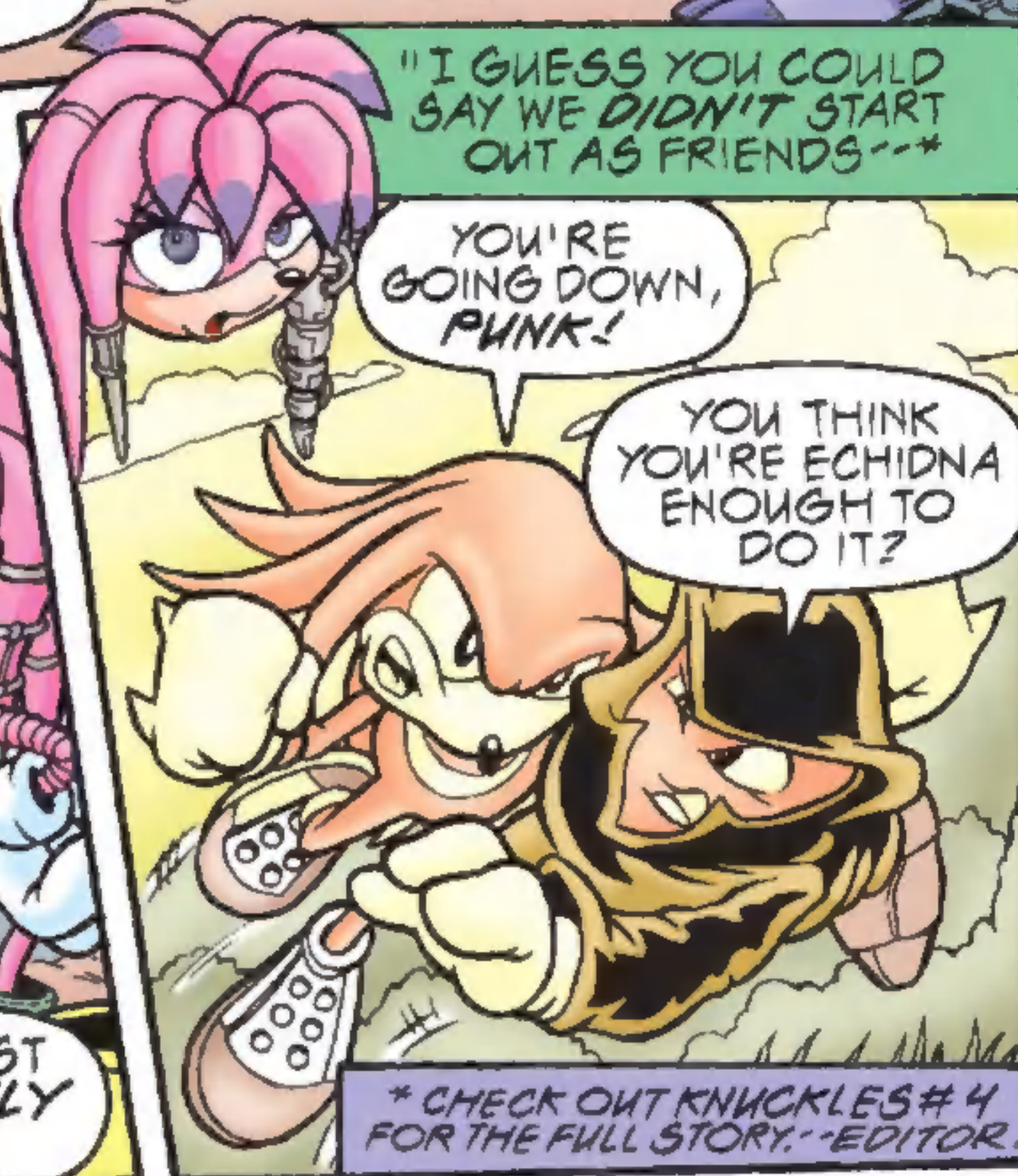


JUST THE SAME, I'M GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT!

AND YOU ARE---

SALLY, THIS IS JHIE-SH.

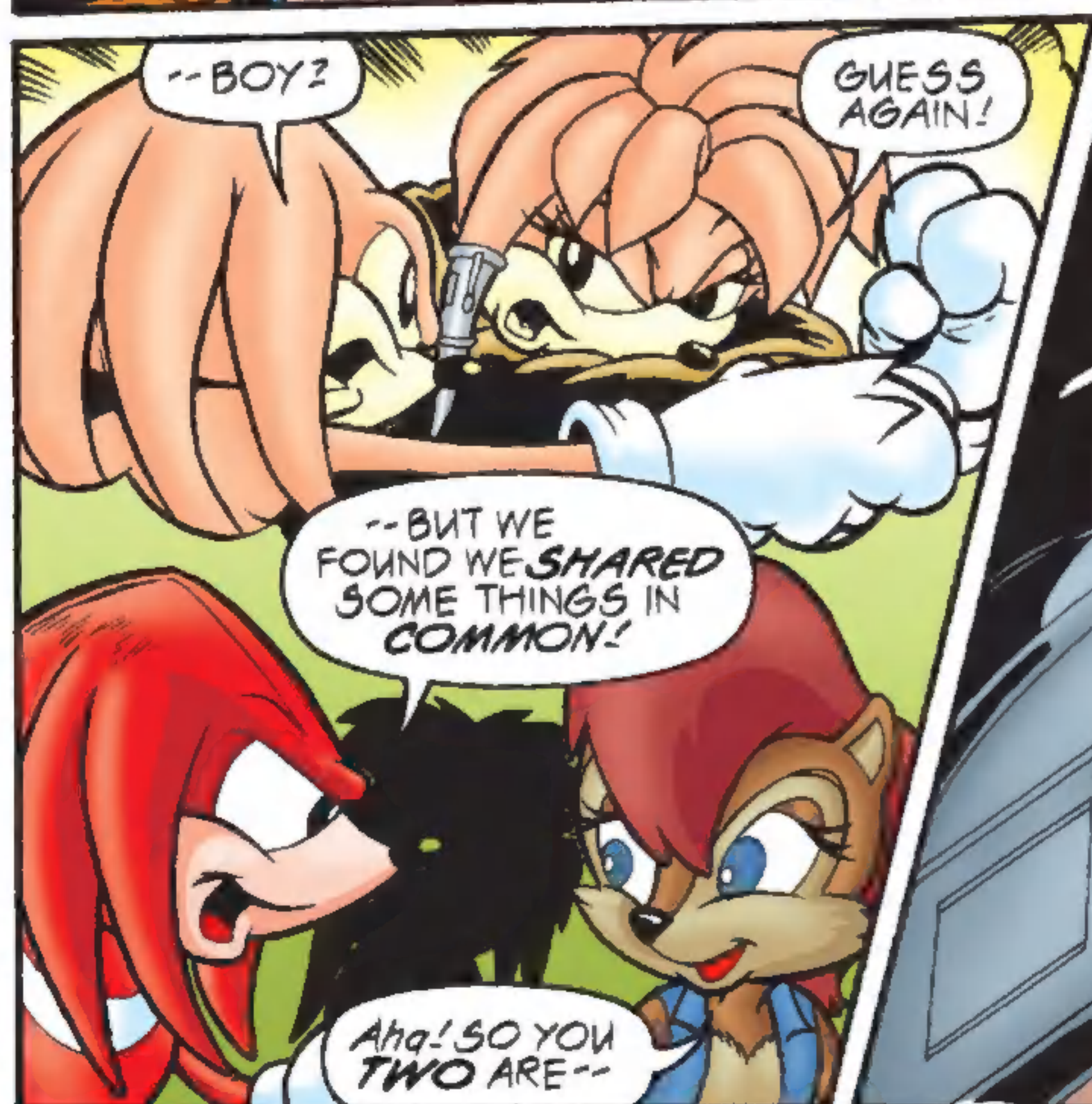
WE JUST RECENTLY MET.



YOU'RE GOING DOWN, PUNK!

YOU THINK YOU'RE ECHIDNA ENOUGH TO DO IT?

* CHECK OUT KNUCKLES # 4 FOR THE FULL STORY. --EDITOR.

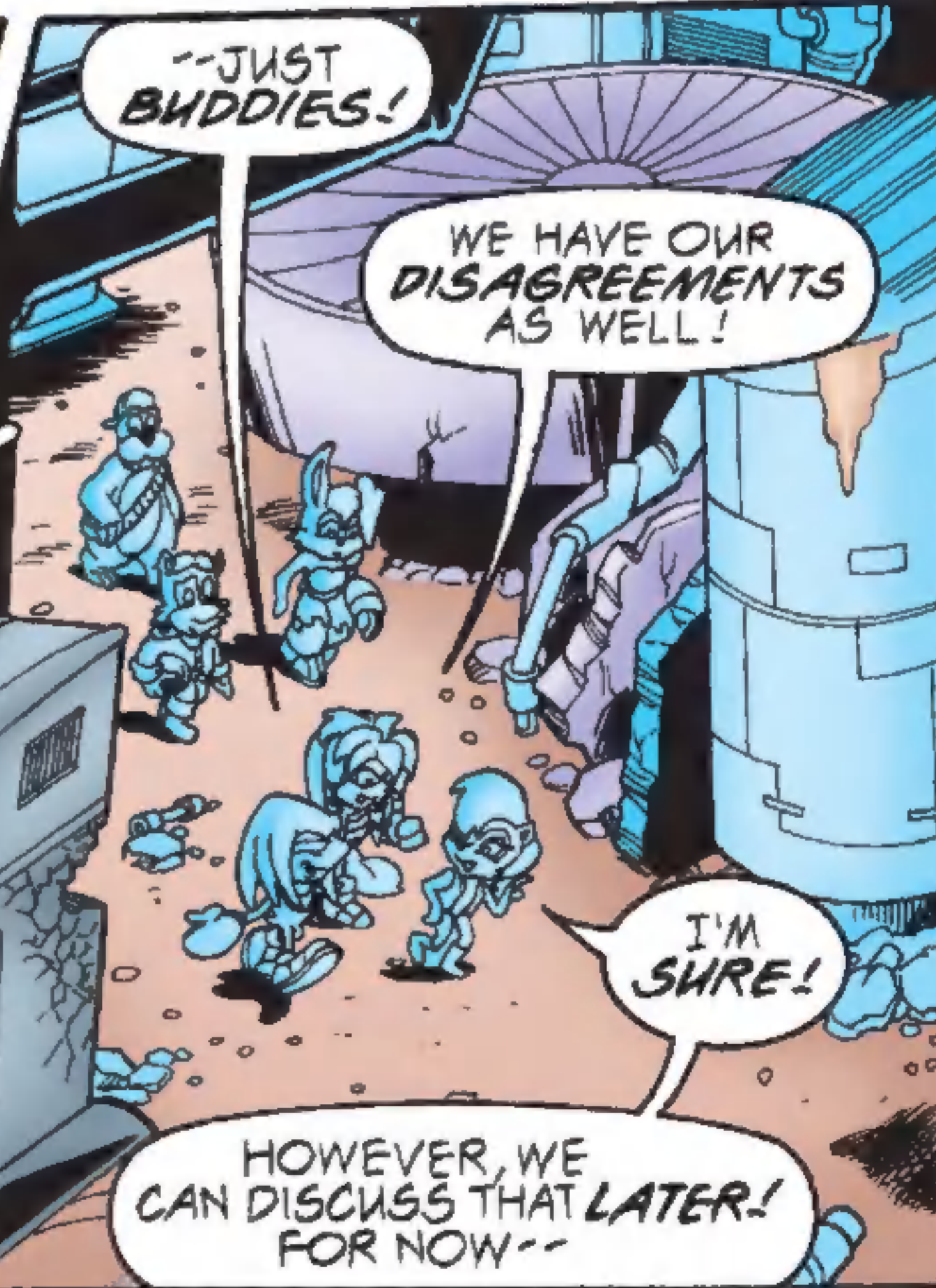


--BOY?

GUESS AGAIN!

--BUT WE FOUND WE SHARED SOME THINGS IN COMMON!

Aha! SO YOU TWO ARE--

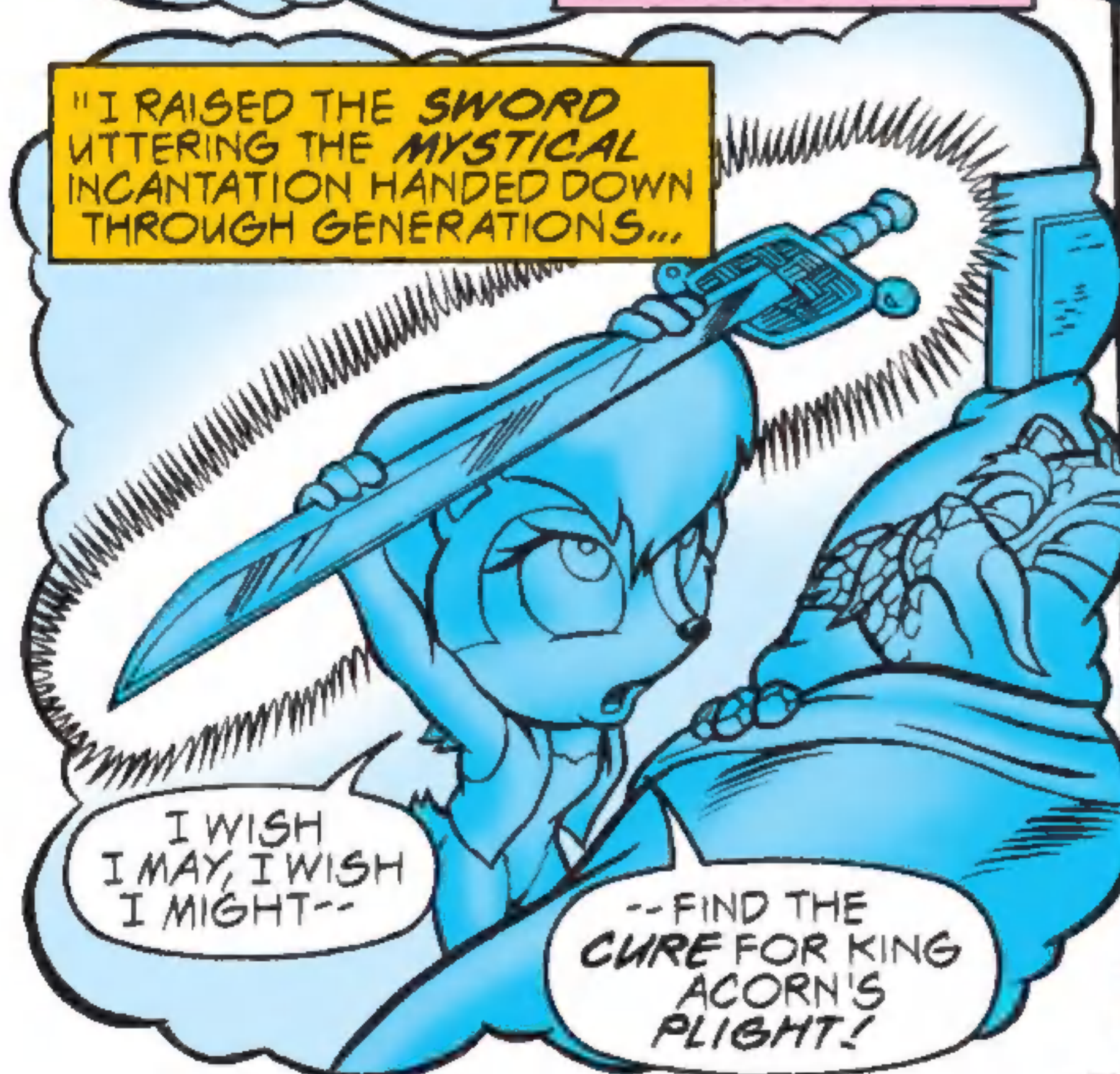
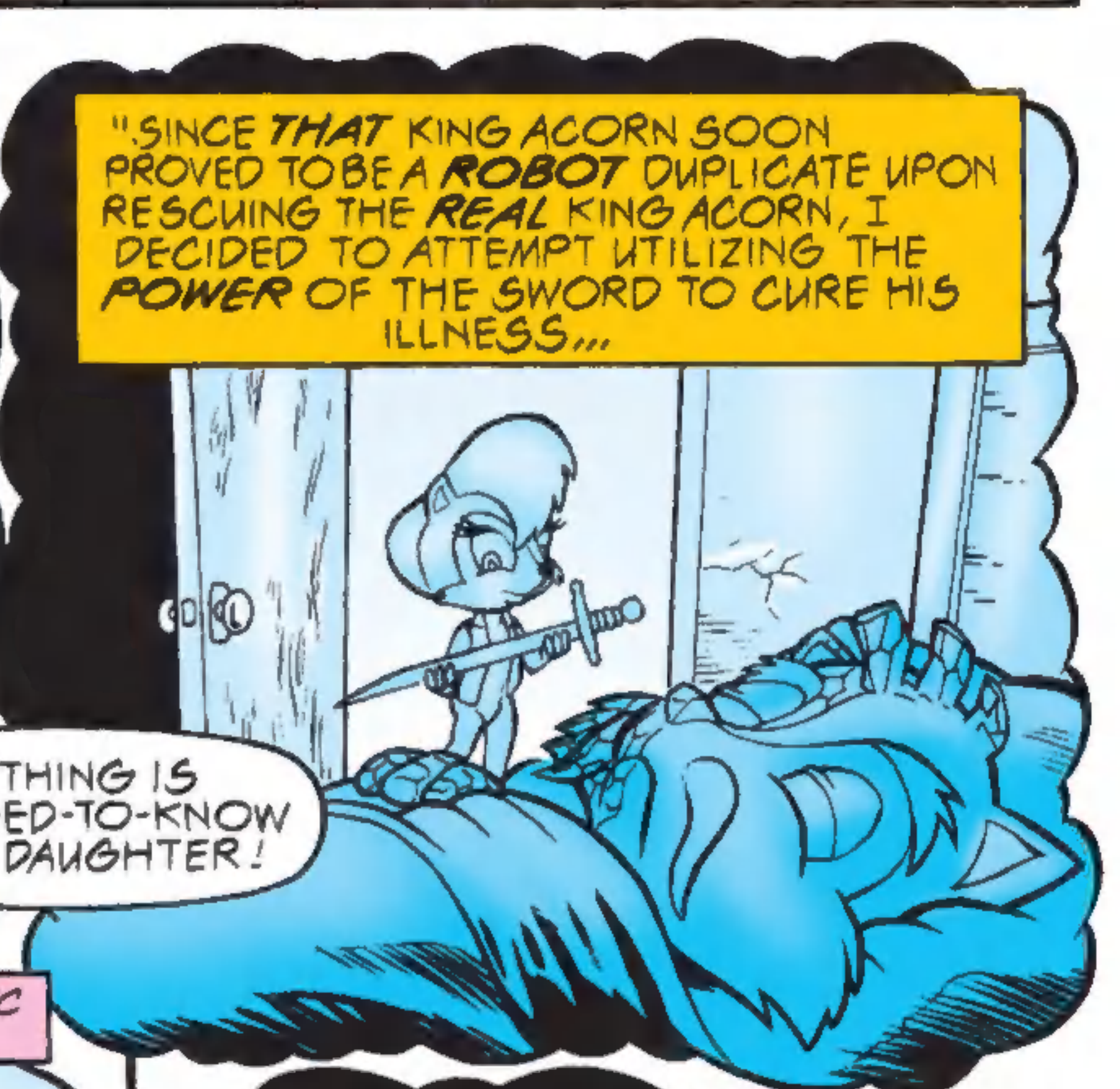
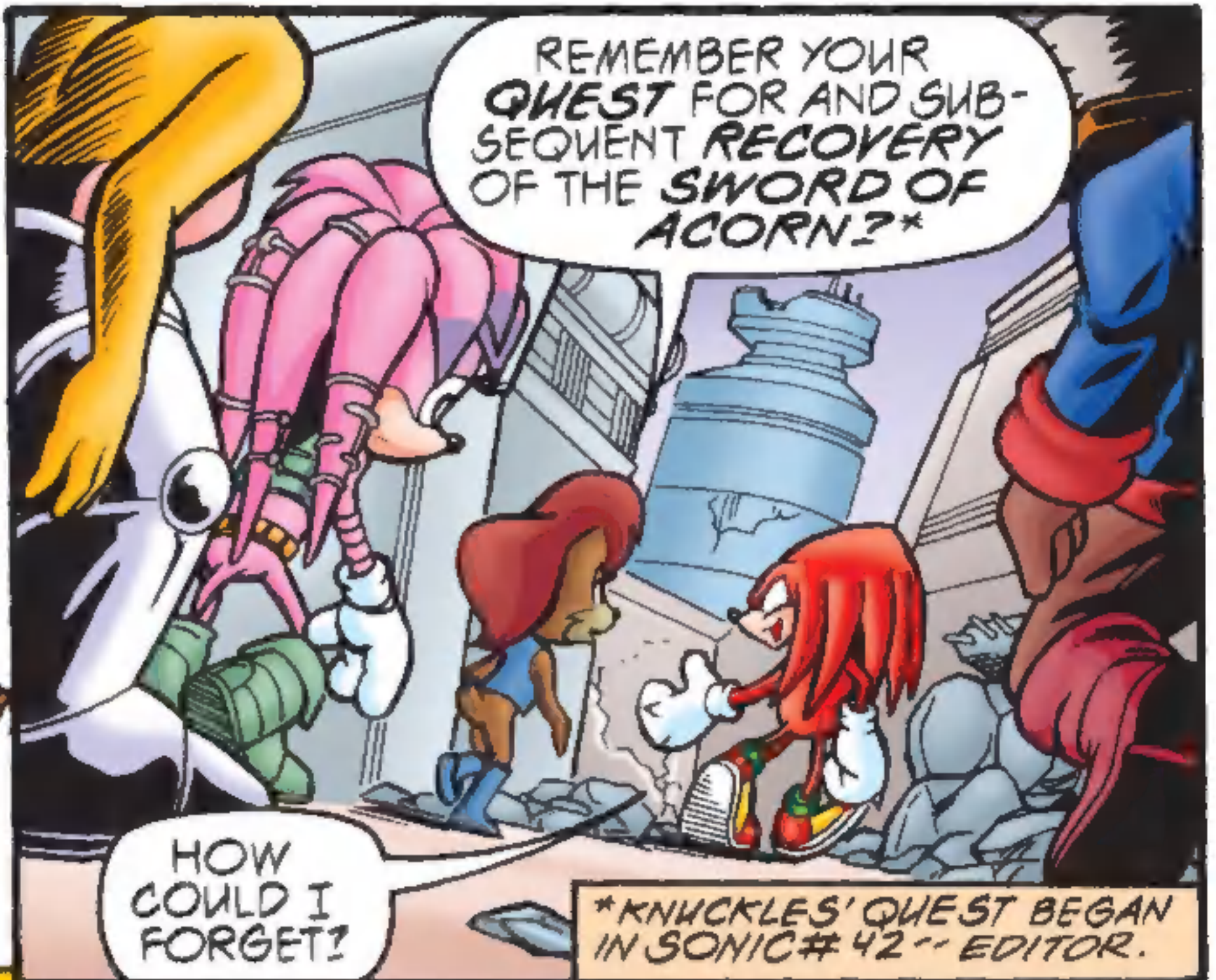


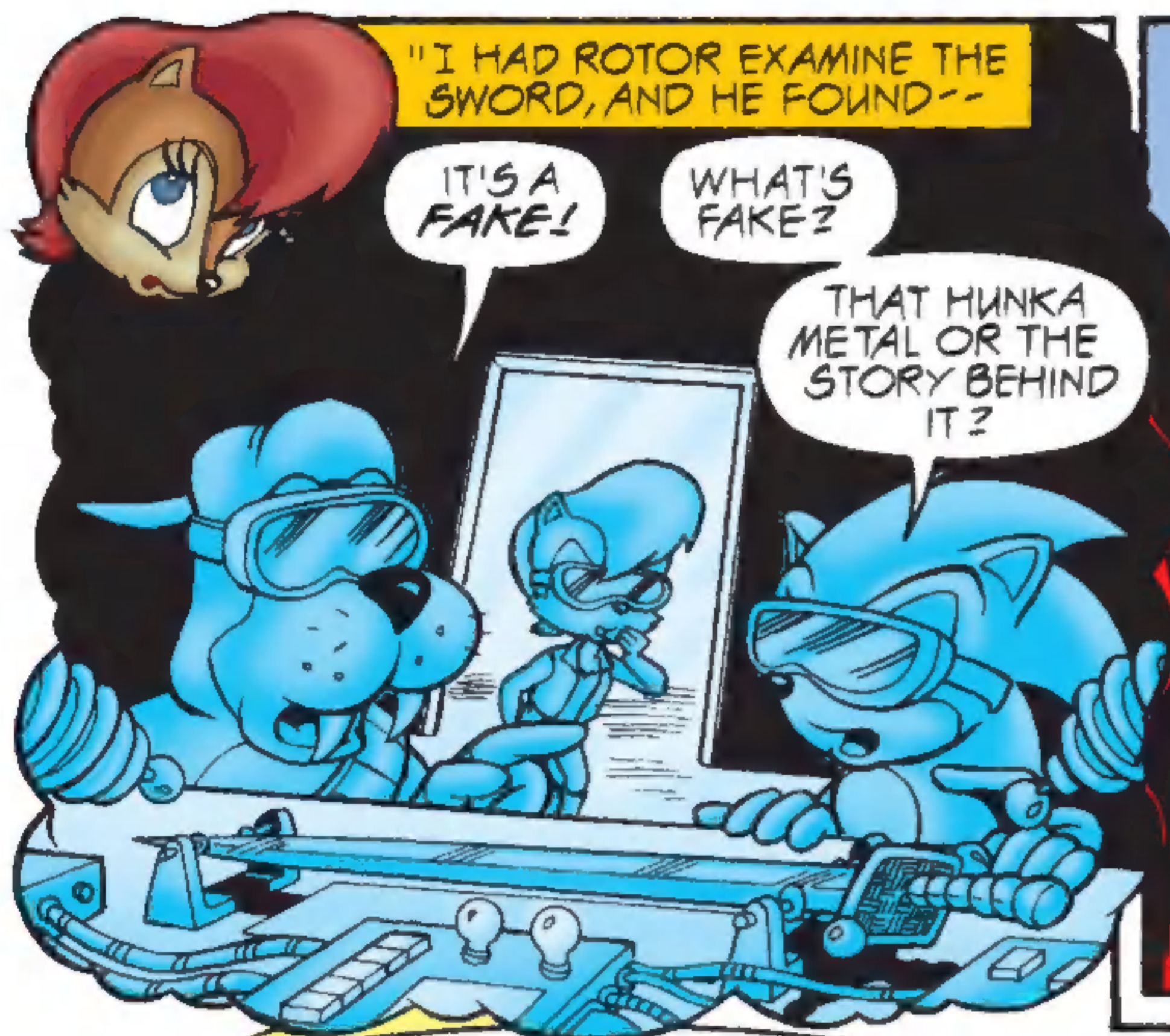
--JUST BUDDIES!

WE HAVE OUR DISAGREEMENTS AS WELL!

I'M SURE!

HOWEVER, WE CAN DISCUSS THAT LATER! FOR NOW--





"I HAD ROTOR EXAMINE THE SWORD, AND HE FOUND--"

IT'S A FAKE!

WHAT'S FAKE?

THAT HUNKA METAL OR THE STORY BEHIND IT?



I WAS PLANNING TO GO OFF ON MY OWN QUEST--

--BUT MY DUTIES SUPERVISING THE RECONSTRUCTION OF MOBOTROPOLIS REQUIRED I STAY HERE!

NOW I'M HOPING YOU'RE UP FOR TRYING ONCE AGAIN TO FIND THE TRUE SWORD OF ACORN!

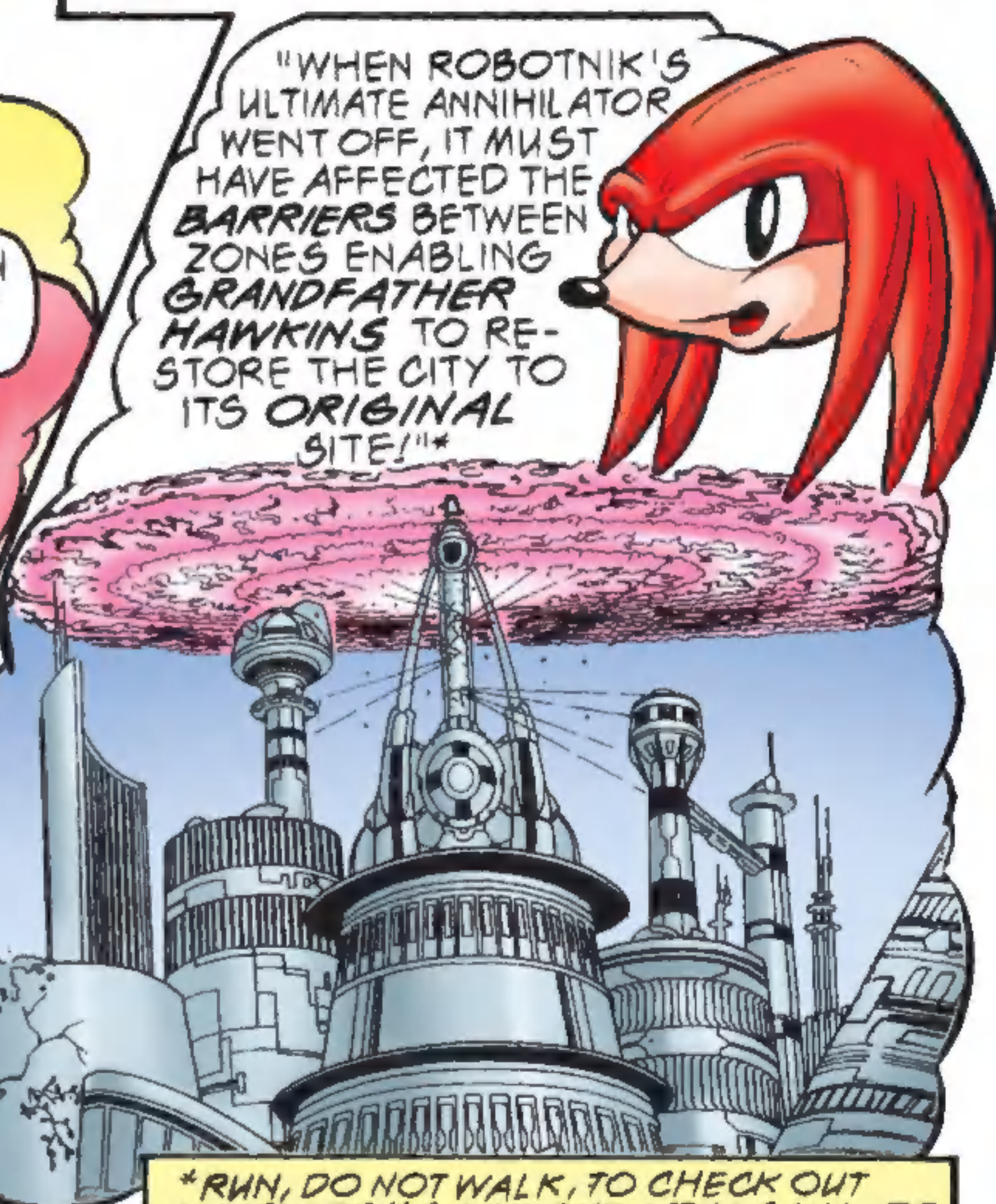


I'M SORRY, PRINCESS, BUT I'VE BEEN BUSY MYSELF SINCE I RECENTLY DISCOVERED MY BIRTH-PLACE STILL EXISTED, BUT IN ANOTHER ZONE--*

WILD!

IT CAN ONLY BE--

--ECHIDNAOPOLIS!



"WHEN ROBOTNIK'S ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR WENT OFF, IT MUST HAVE AFFECTED THE BARRIERS BETWEEN ZONES ENABLING GRANDFATHER HAWKINS TO RESTORE THE CITY TO ITS ORIGINAL SITE!"*

*CHECK OUT KNUCKLES: LOST PARADISE #4 FOR THE DETAILS~ ED.

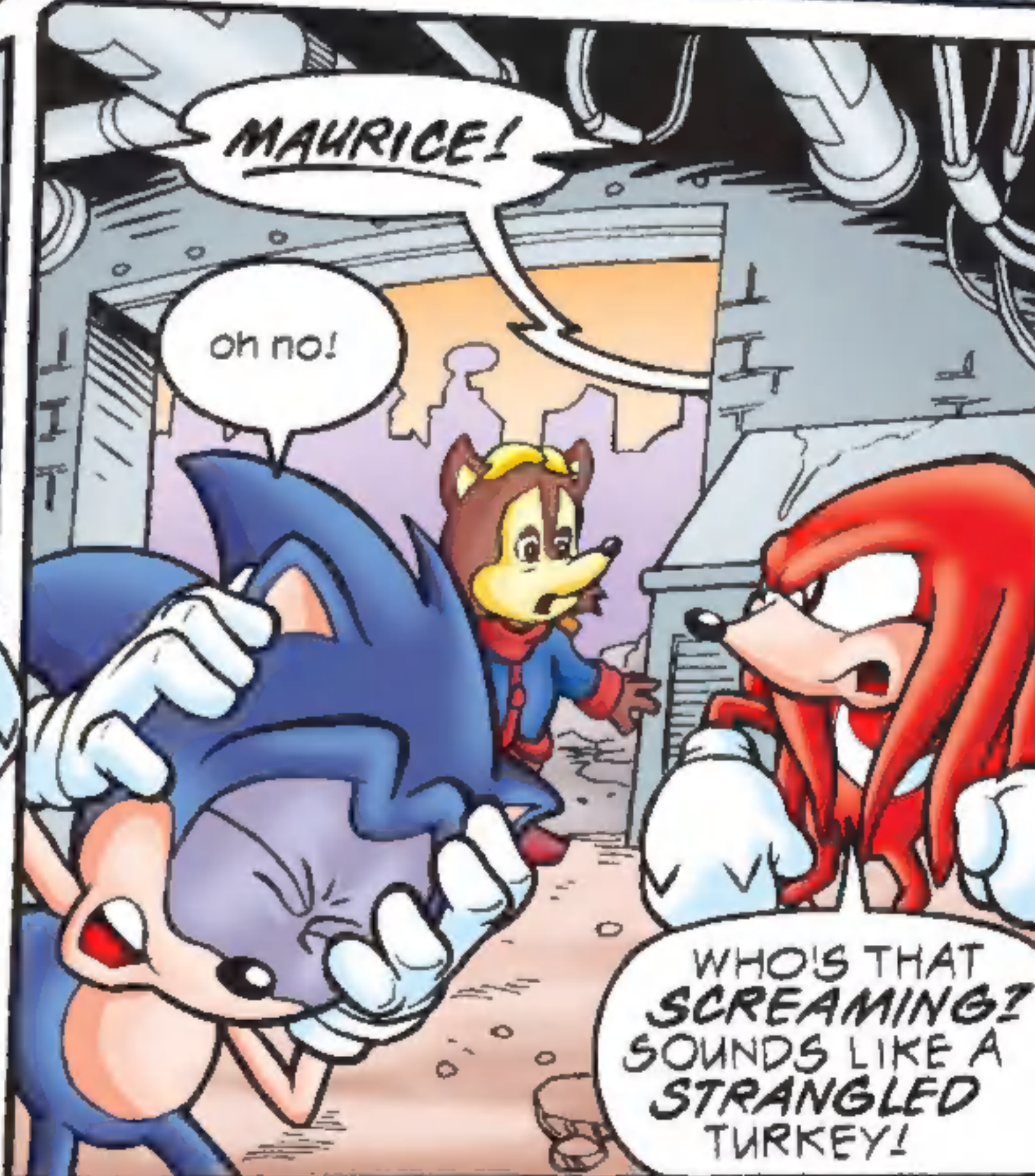
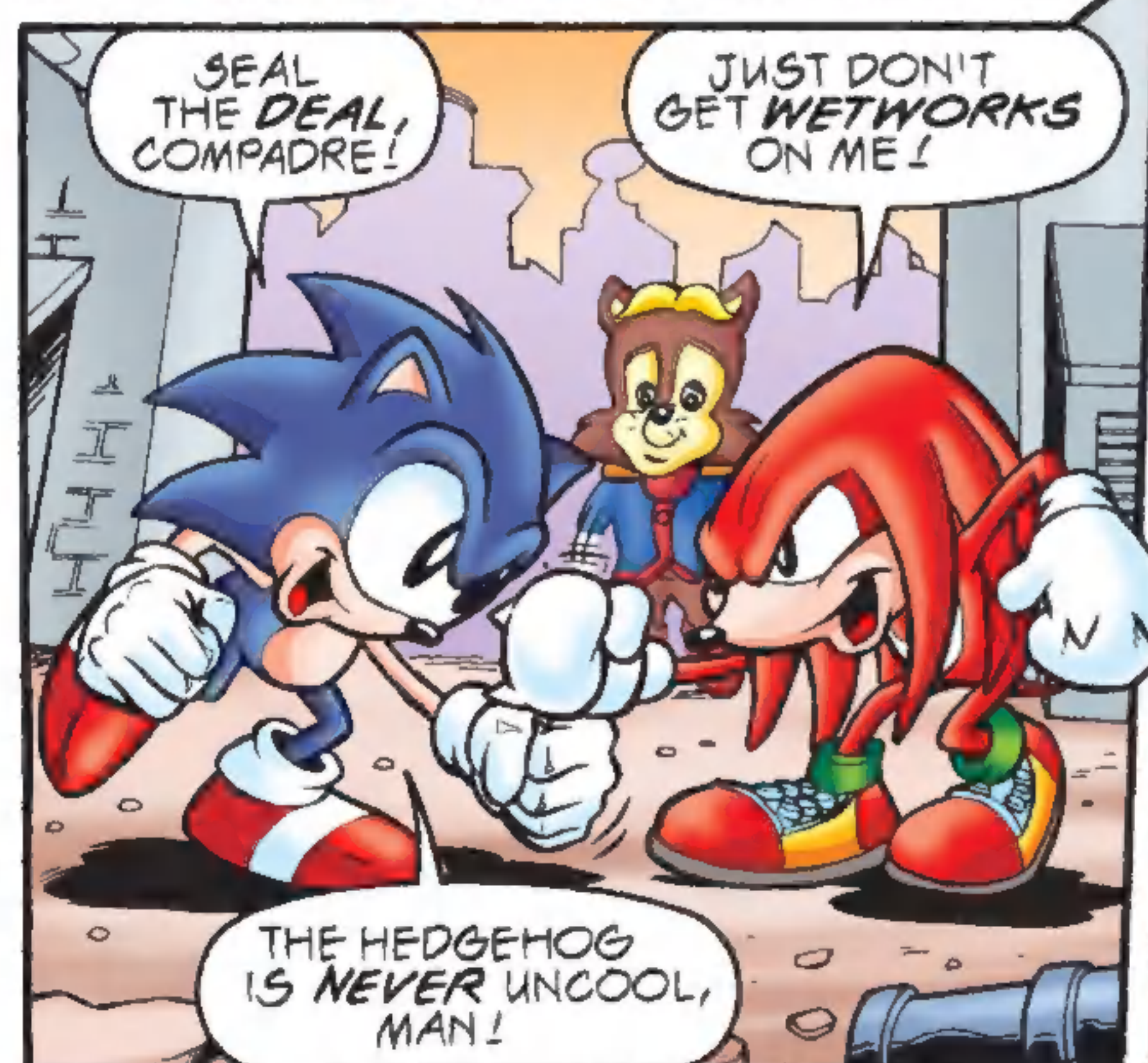
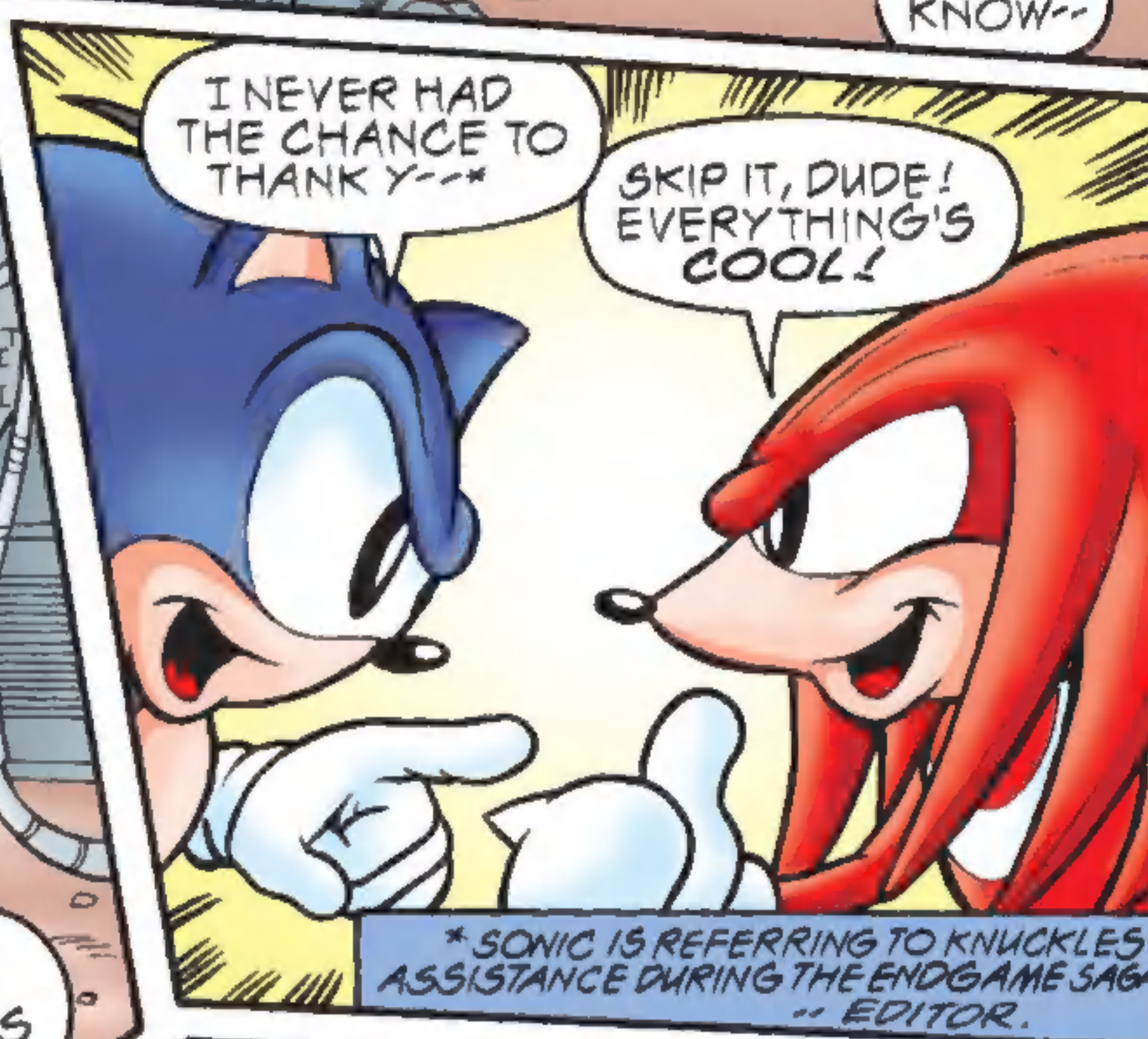
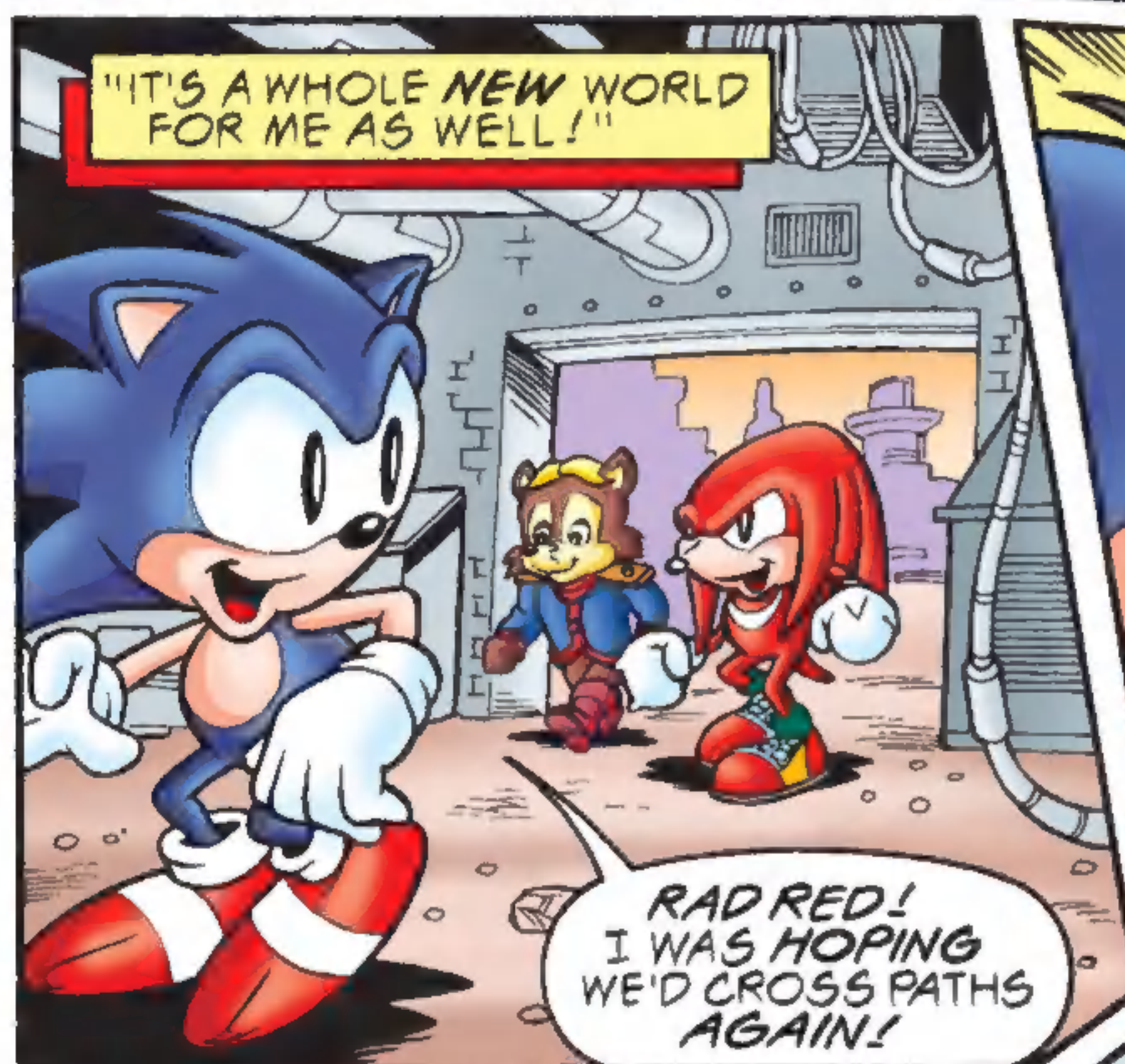
*RUN, DO NOT WALK, TO CHECK OUT KNUCKLES #6, WHILE YOU STILL CAN!-- ED.

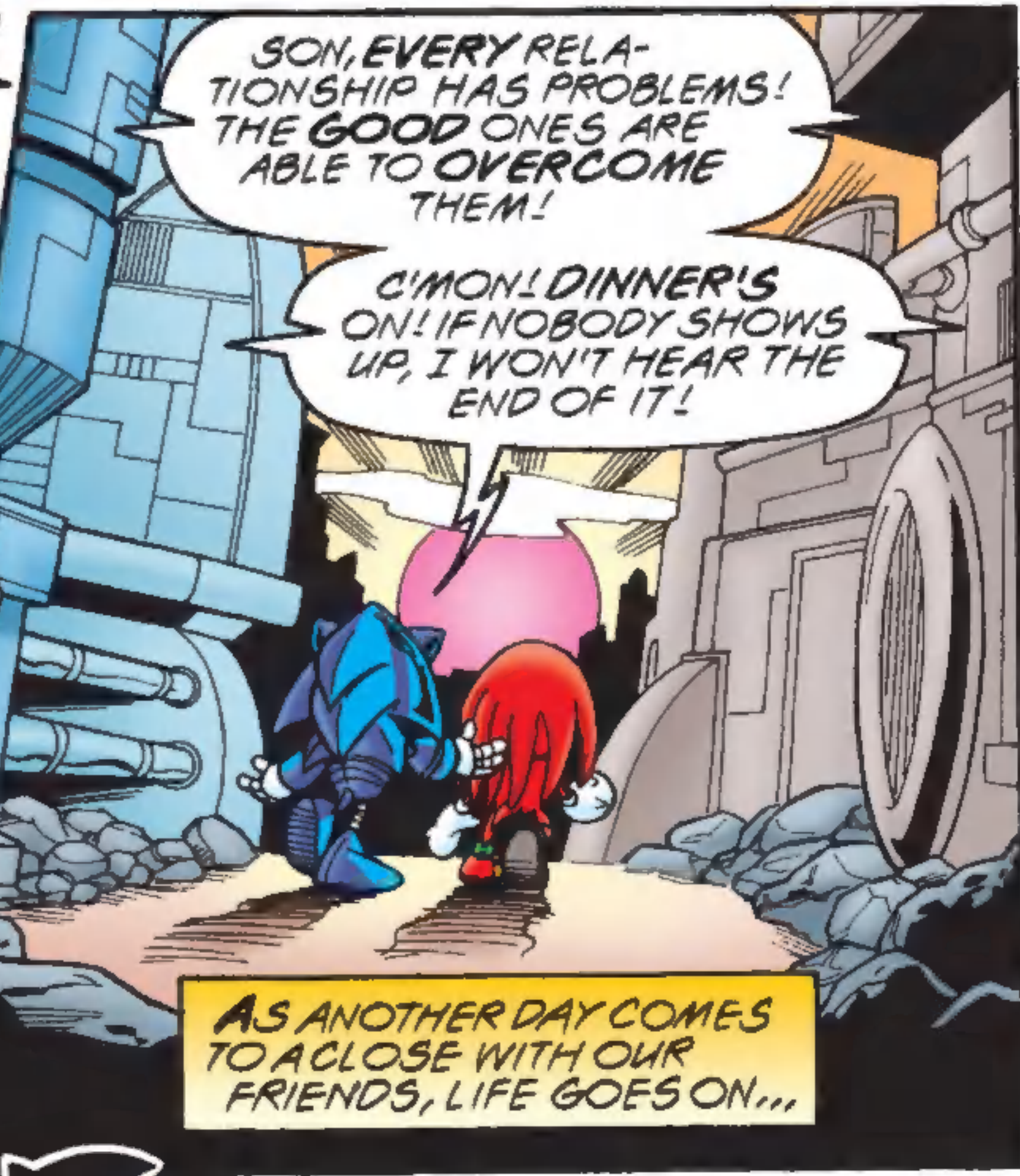
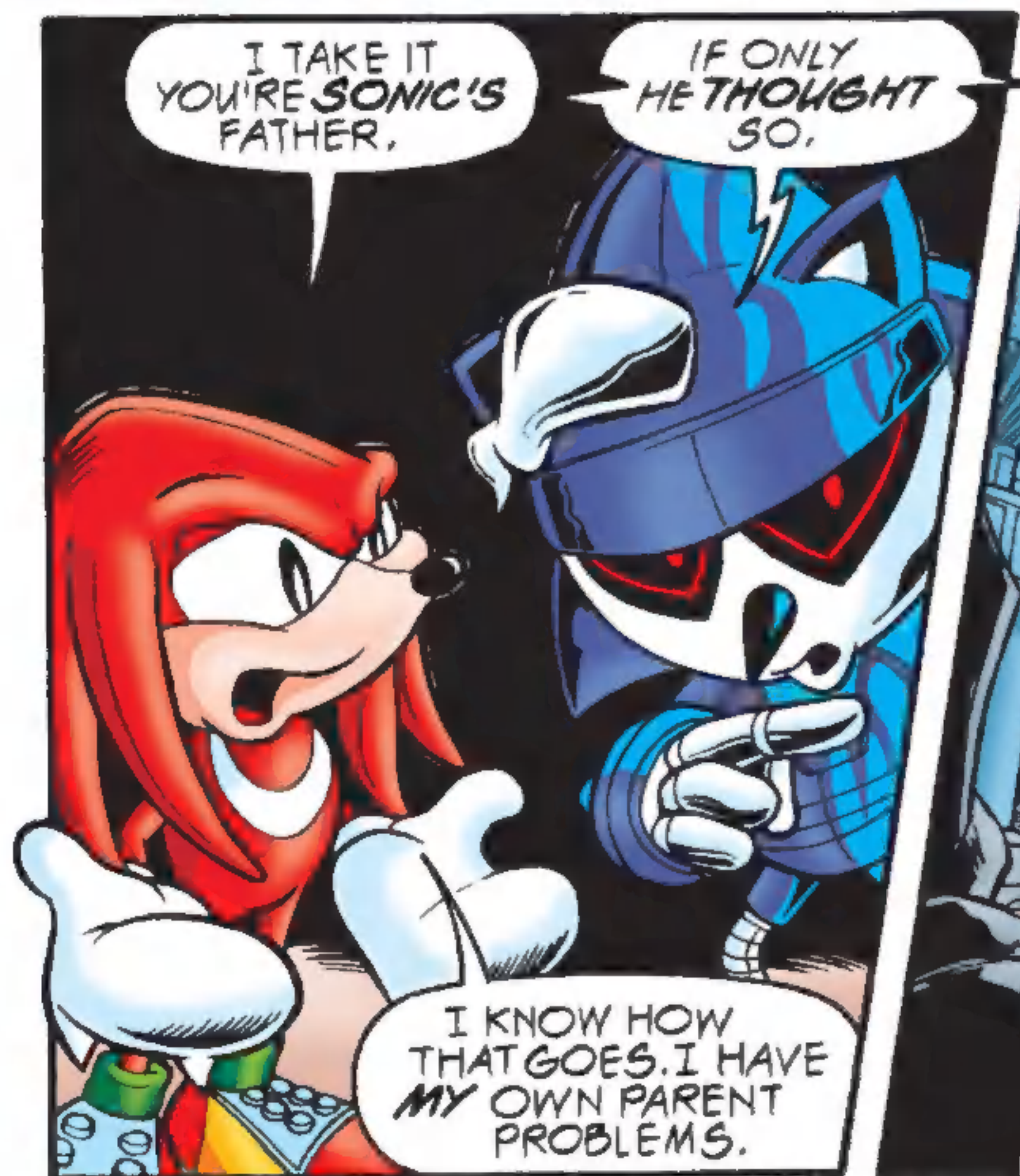
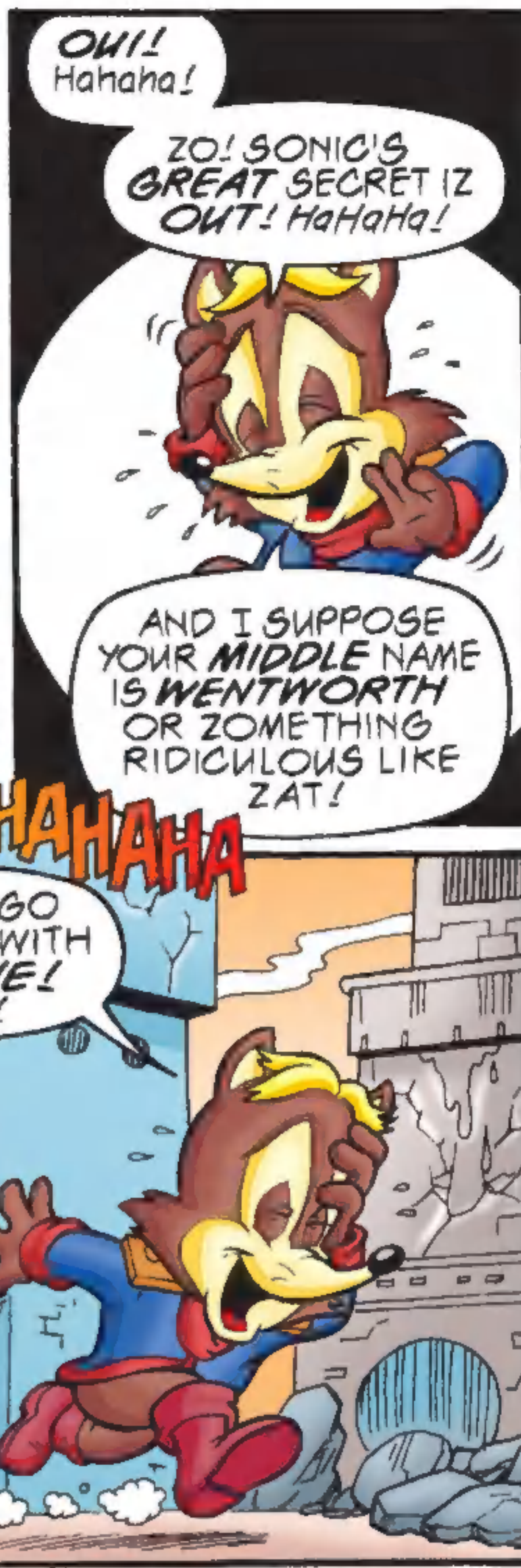


WHEN YOU CALLED, IT GAVE ME THE EXCUSE I NEEDED TO GET AWAY AND THINK, ESPECIALLY AFTER DISCOVERING A MOTHER I NEVER KNEW I HAD!

SOUNDS LIKE YOU AND SOMEONE ELSE I KNOW HAVE MORE IN COMMON THAN EITHER OF YOU REALIZE.

IN FACT--





THE DAWN OF
A NEW DAY!

AND IN THE WAKE OF THE
NEFARIOUS IVO ROBOTNIK'S
DEFEAT BY THE KNOTHOLE
VILLAGE FREEDOM FIGHTERS,

--LIFE HAS UNDERGONE
SOME DRAMATIC CHANGES
FOR THE AFOREMENTIONED
GROUP!

AND FOR TWO OF THEM
IN PARTICULAR, IT SEEMS
THAT THE CHANGES HAVE
ONLY BEGUN...

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THE
HEDGEHOG

IN

SOUNDS
OF SILENCE

Part 1

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WOW, SONIC! WOULD
YOU LOOK AT THAT BUILDING
OVER THERE? IT'S DOCTOR
ROBOTNIK'S LABORATORY!

WHO KNOWS HOW
MANY DIABOLICAL
SCHEMES WERE
COOKED UP IN THAT
MOST COMPLEX OF
COMPLEXES...

...AND HOW MANY
MORE FIENDISH
DEVICES LIE WITHIN
ITS WALLS?

AND JUST
THINK, SALLY! IT'S
ALL YOURS FOR
THE AMAZINGLY
LOW PRICE OF
NOTHING! YOU
MAY NOT BE KING,
BUT IT'S SURE
GOTTA BE A
BLAST BEING
PRINCESS!

THIS IS NO JOKE, SONIC! I'M SERIOUS OVER HERE!

I MEAN, HOW WOULD YOU FEEL IF SUDDENLY YOU WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR A DEVICE WITH THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF THE **ULTIMATE ANNIHILATOR**?



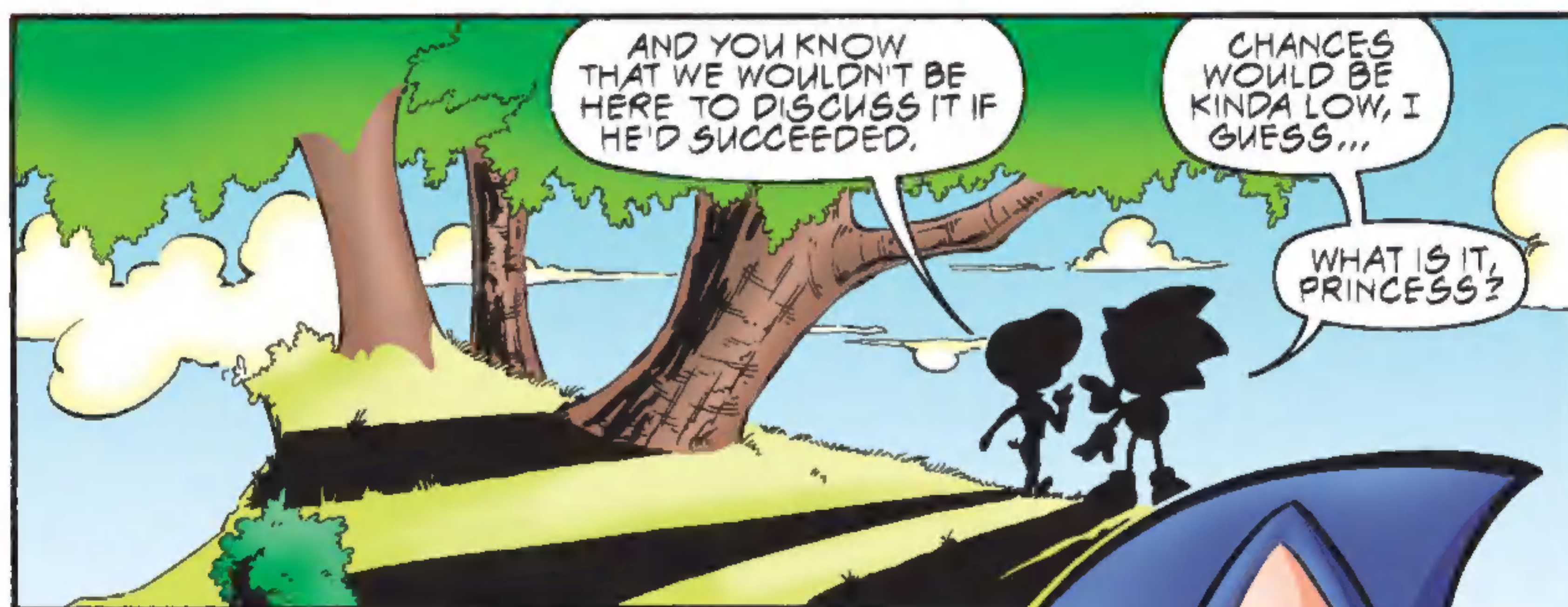
Whoah! ROBOTNIK NEARLY WIPED OUT ALL OF CREATION WITH THAT IMPORTED WEAPON OF HIS!



AND YOU KNOW THAT WE WOULDN'T BE HERE TO DISCUSS IT IF HE'D SUCCEEDED.

CHANCES WOULD BE KINDA LOW, I GUESS...

WHAT IS IT, PRINCESS?



NOTHING, SONIC. WITH EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE FOR THE KINGDOM, I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER YOU WITH MY DUMB PROBLEMS...

NO MATTER HOW MIXED UP, JUMBLED, AND DOWN-RIGHT CONFUSING YOUR PROBLEMS ARE, SALLY, THEY ARE NOT--REPEAT **NOT DUMB!**





AND MY FATHER!
THE KING! WILL WE EVER
BE ABLE TO REVERSE
THE PROCESS THAT
HAS TURNED HIM INTO
CRYSTAL?

WE MAY BE
CLOSER THAN WE
WERE A FEW DAYS
AGO.

GEOFFREY!

PRINCESS...
SONIC...

ST. JOHN.

EVEN NOW, ROTOR,
SIR CHARLES, AND DOCTOR
QUACK ARE INVESTIGATING
THE PORTAL TO THE SO-
CALLED **ZONE OF SILENCE**
WITHIN JULIAN'S LAB.

THE DREAD ZONE OF
SILENCE... WHERE ROBOTNIK
BANISHED MY FATHER
YEARS AGO.

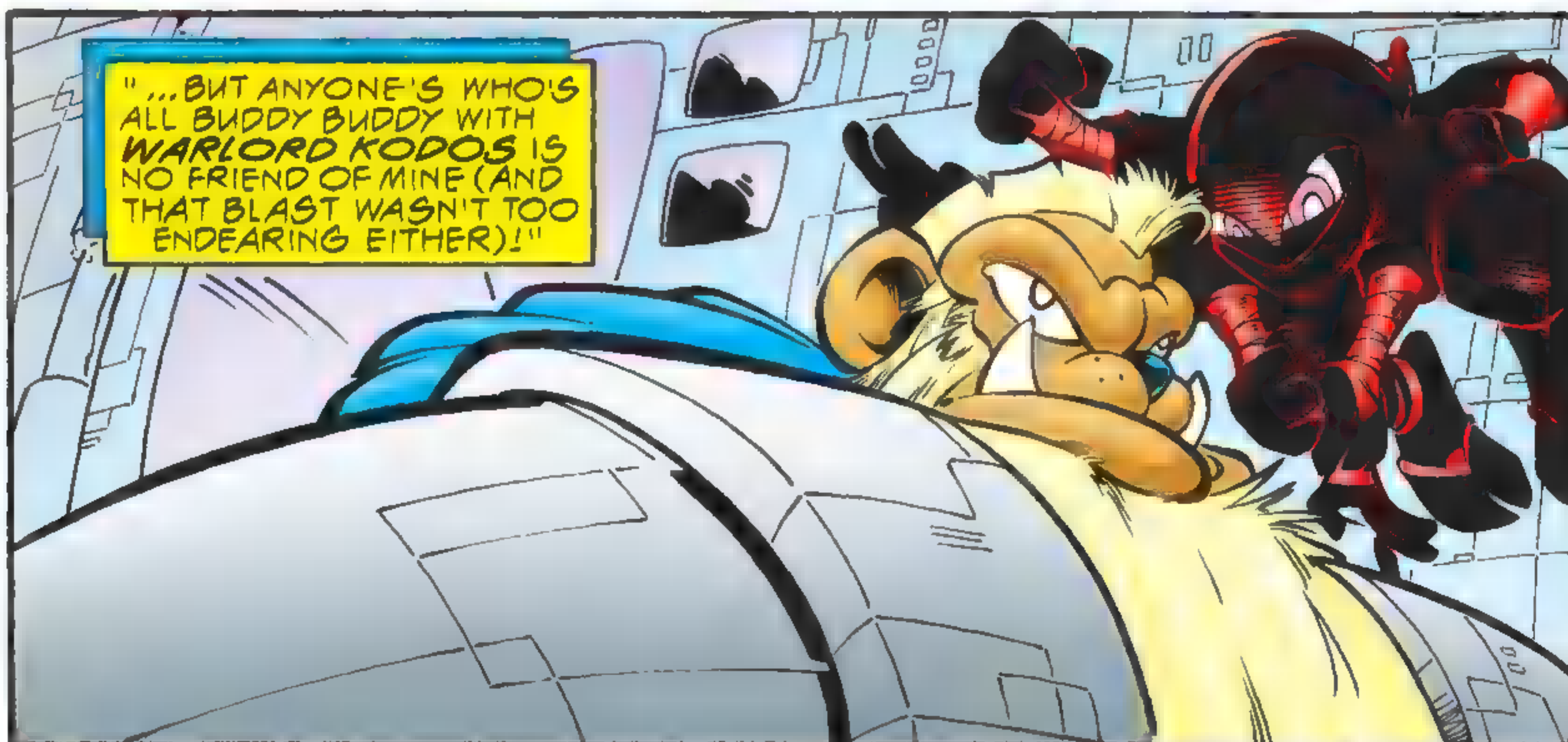
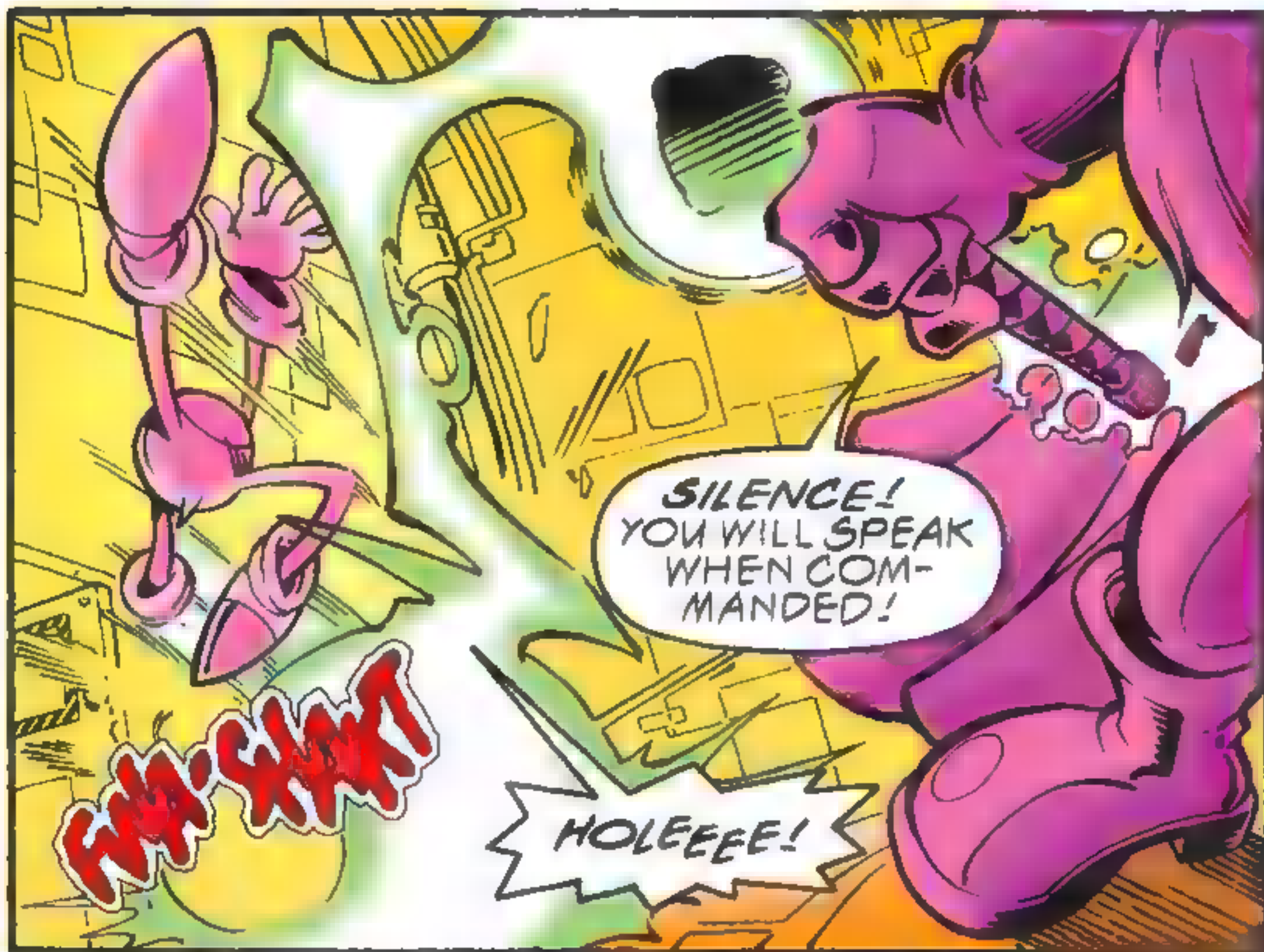
ONCE THEY
HAVE LAUNCHED
A PROBE INTO
IT--

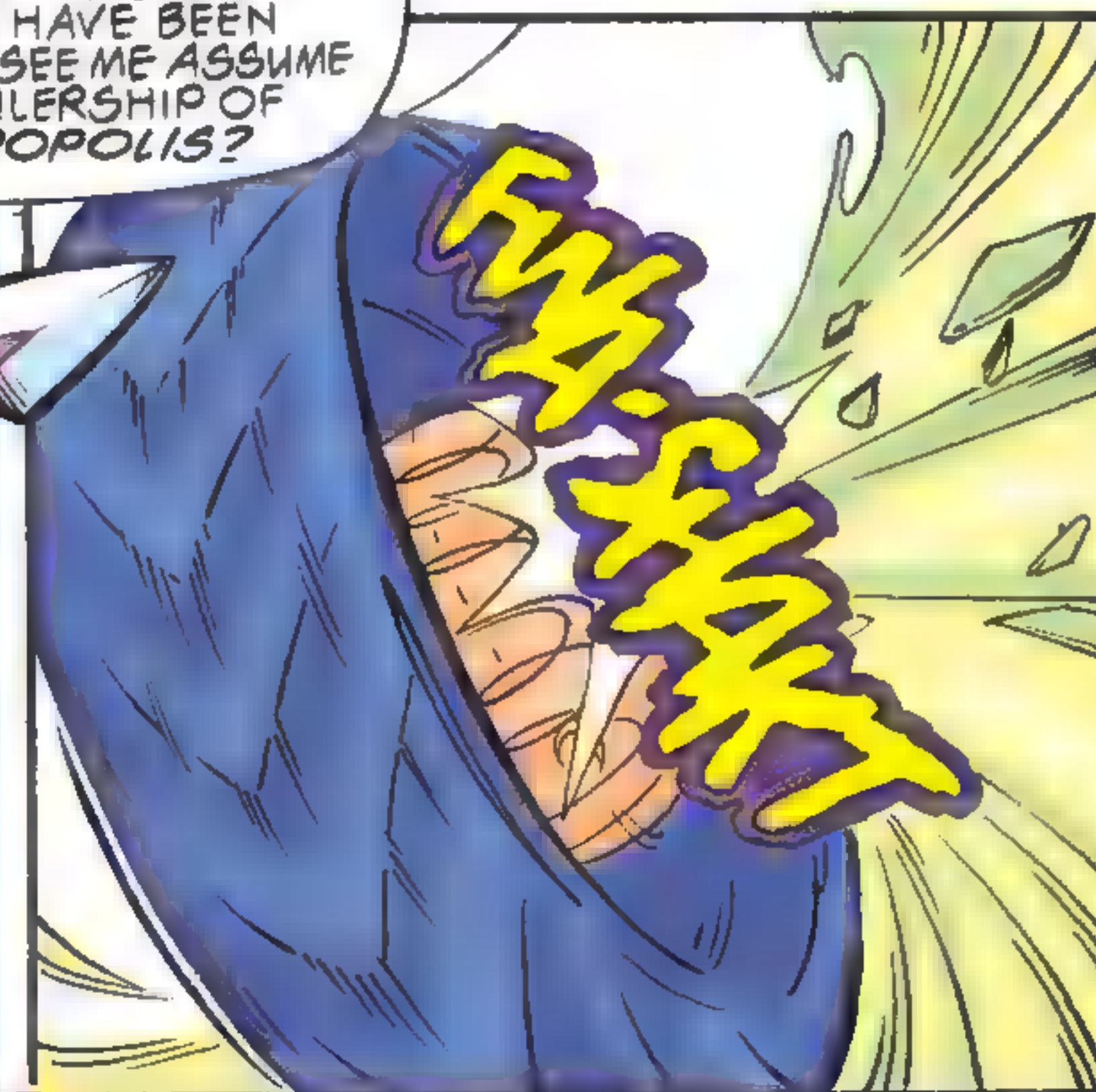
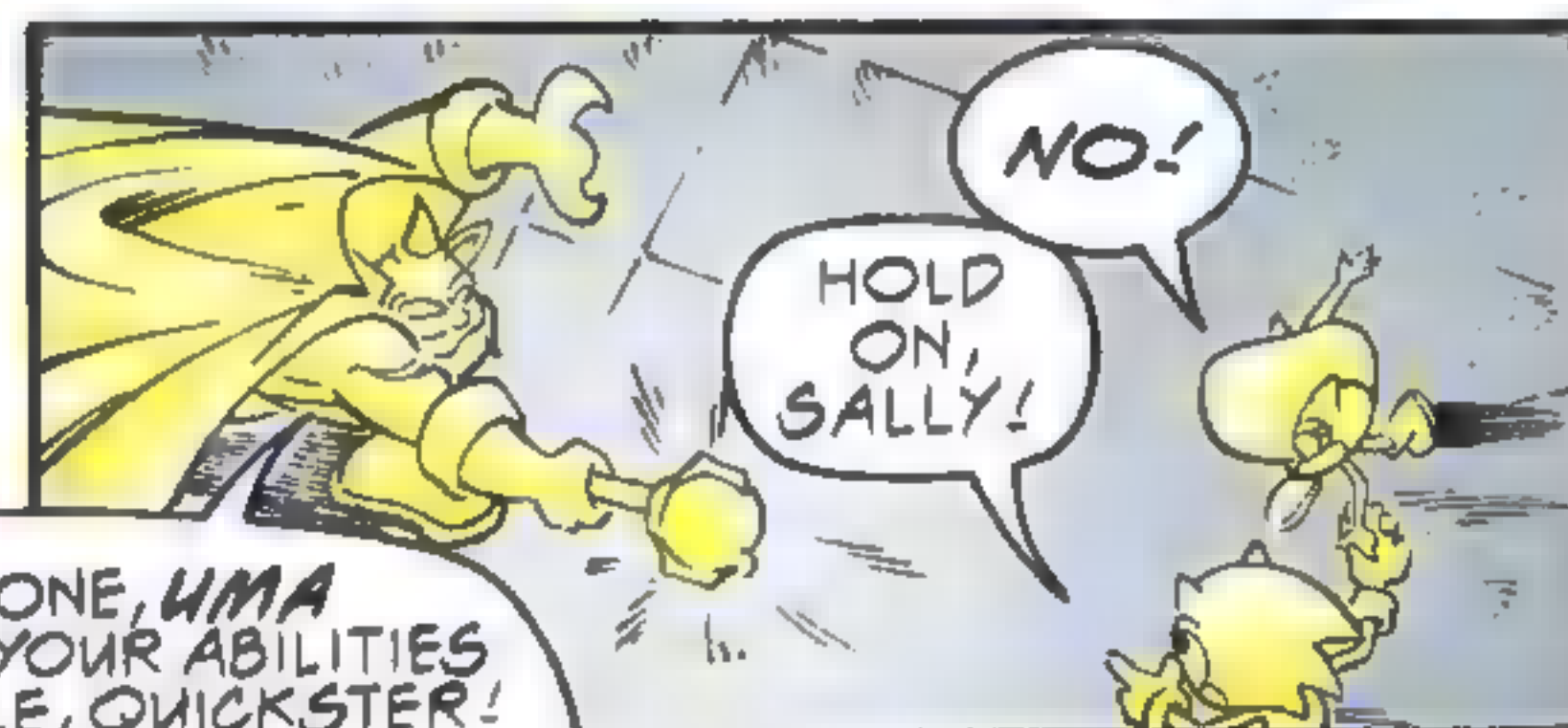
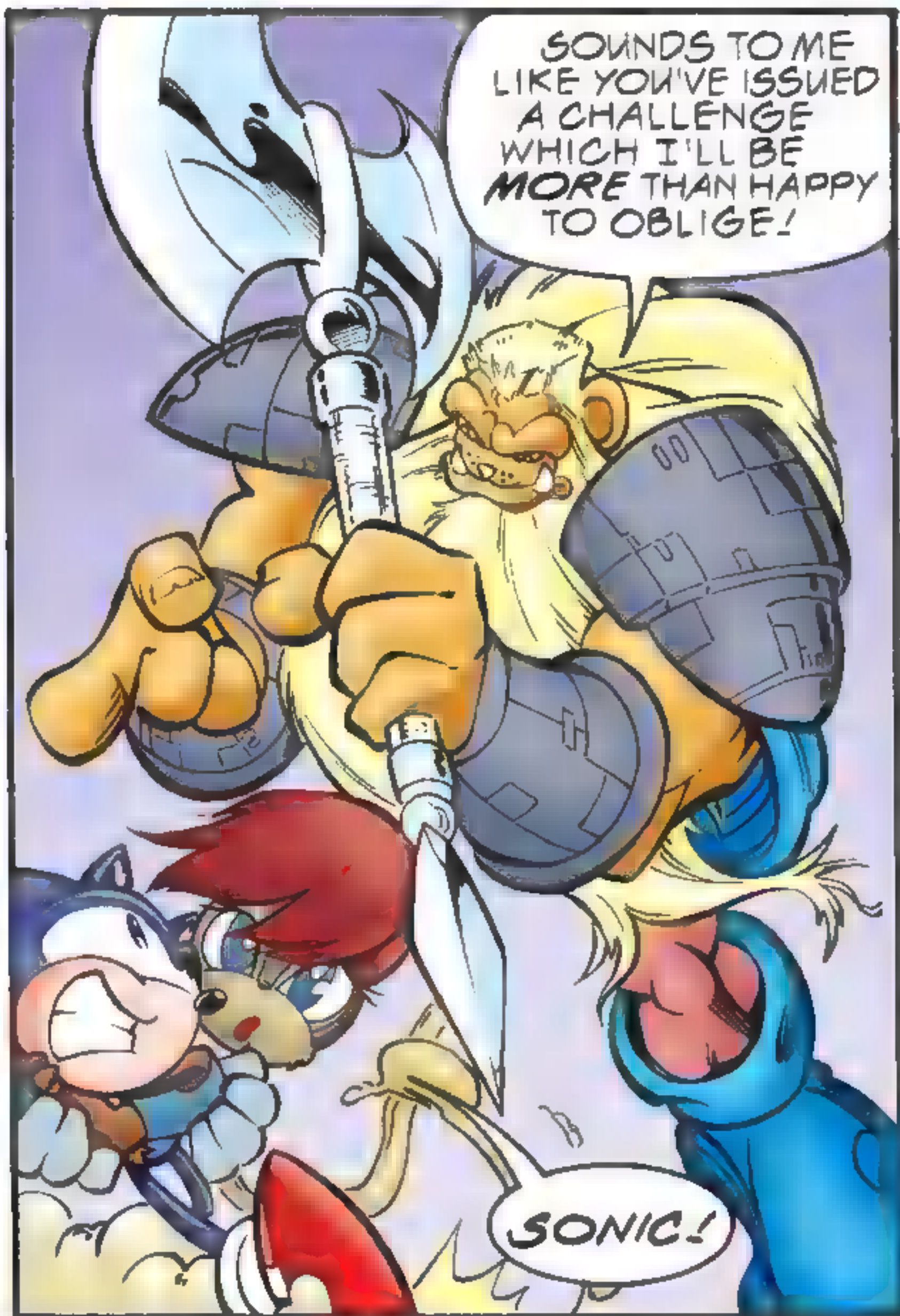
WAITAMINNIT!
PROBEZ IS THAT
SUCH A SAFE IDEA?
I MEAN--

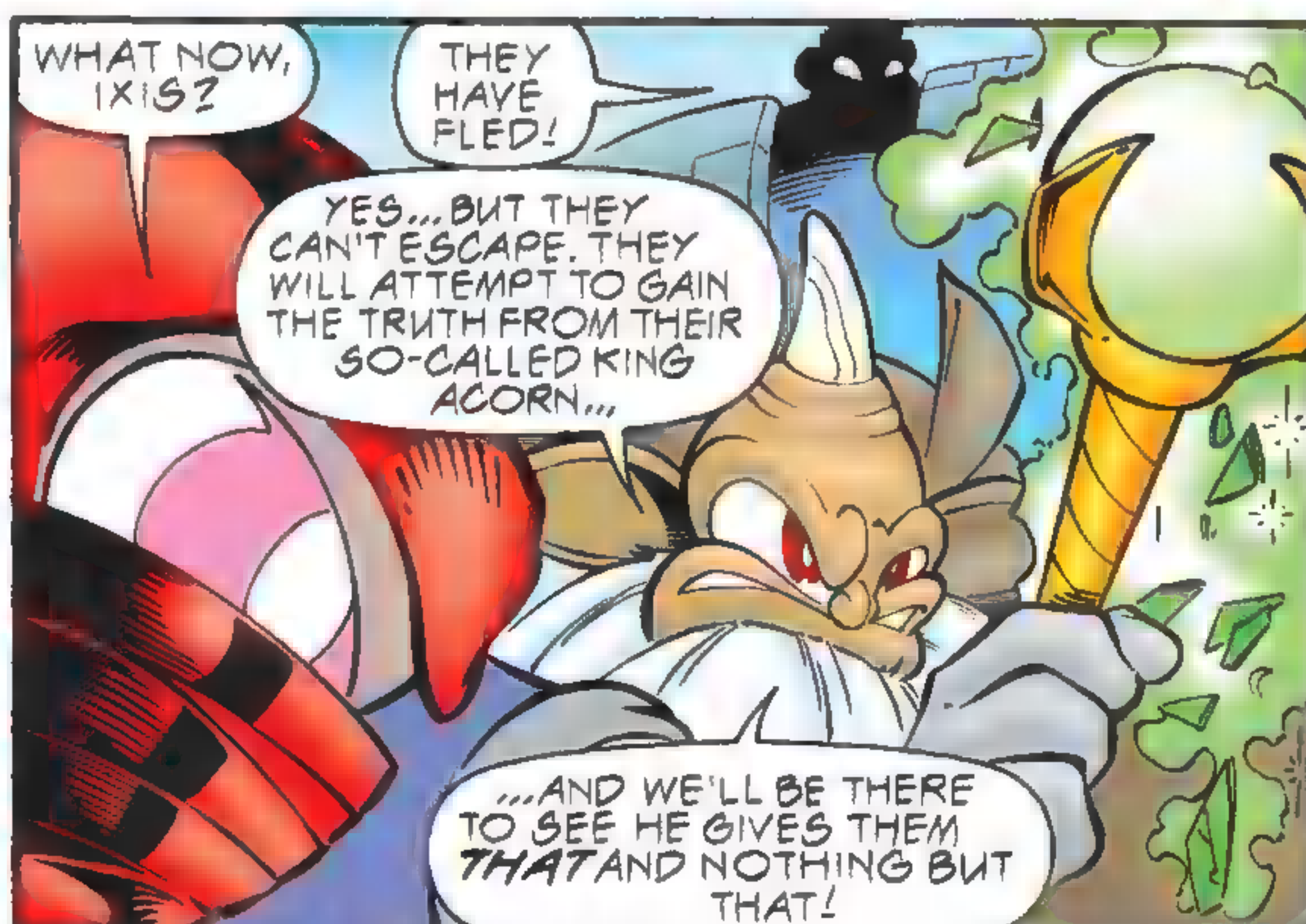
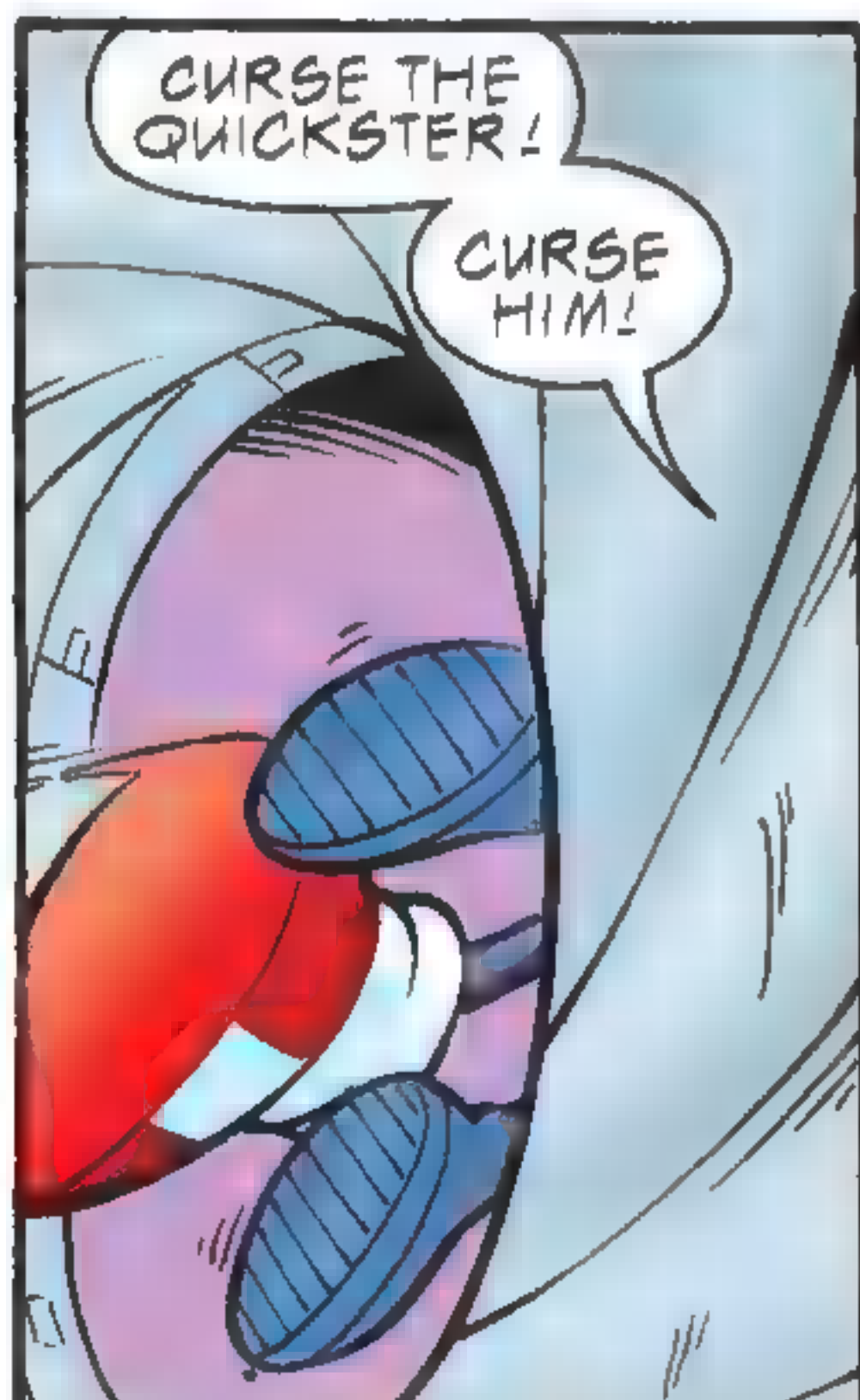
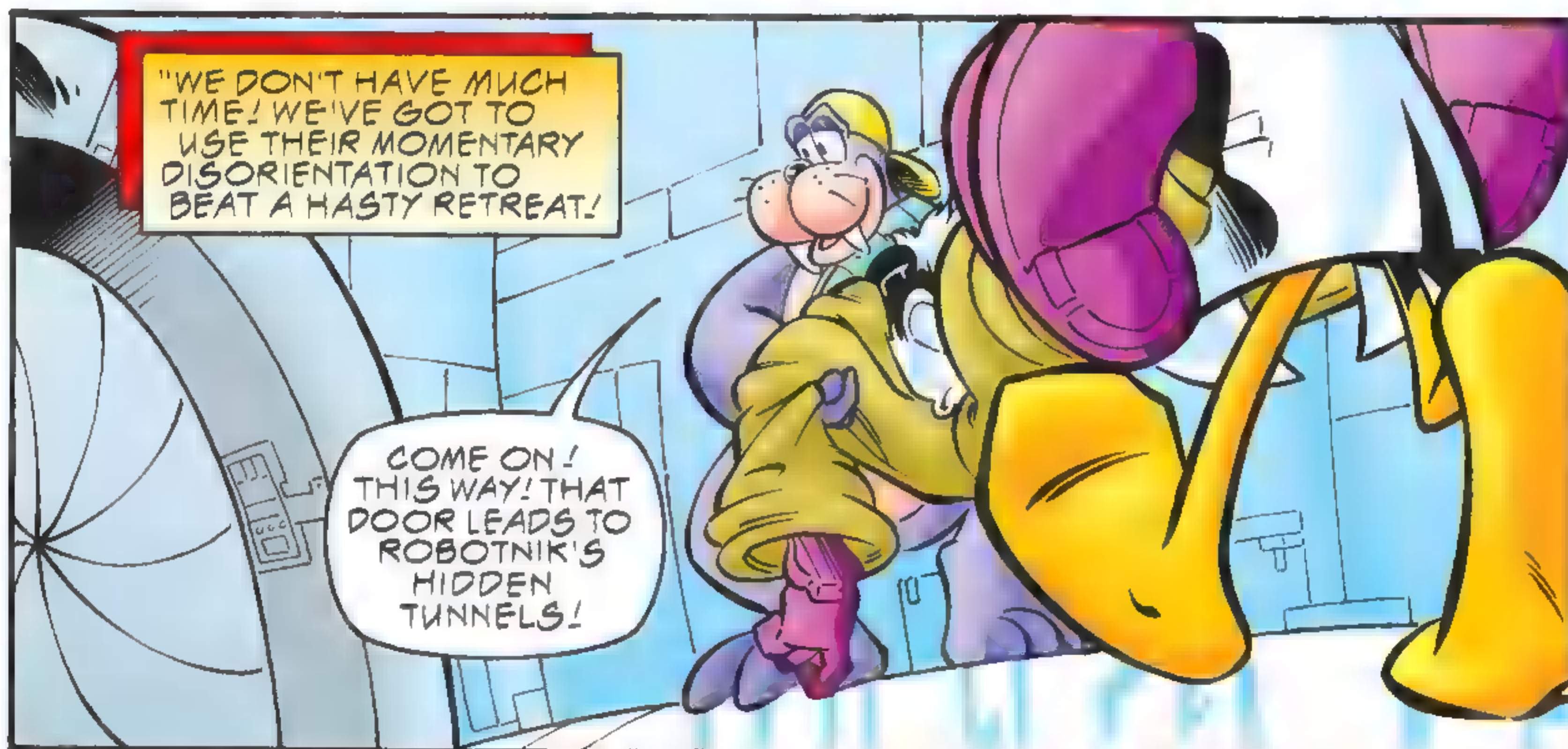
WHAT'S
THE MATTER
WITH IT--?

**KUH-
BOOM**









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IN SOUNDS OF SILENCE Part 3

CASTLE ACORN,
FORMERLY ROBOTNIK'S
HEADQUARTERS...

...NO IDEA
THAT LAUNCHING
THE PROBE WOULD
RELEASE THAT
DEADLY TRIO!

THEIR LEADER,
IXIS NAUGUS, HAS A
WAND THAT CAN
TURN OBJECTS INTO
CRYSTAL, FATHER
HOW IS THAT
POSSIBLE?

AND WHY DIDN'T
IXIS, KODOS, AND UMA
FALL PREY TO THE EFFECTS
OF THE ZONE AS YOU DID
WHEN EXPOSED TO MOBIUS'
ATMOSPHERE, SIRE?

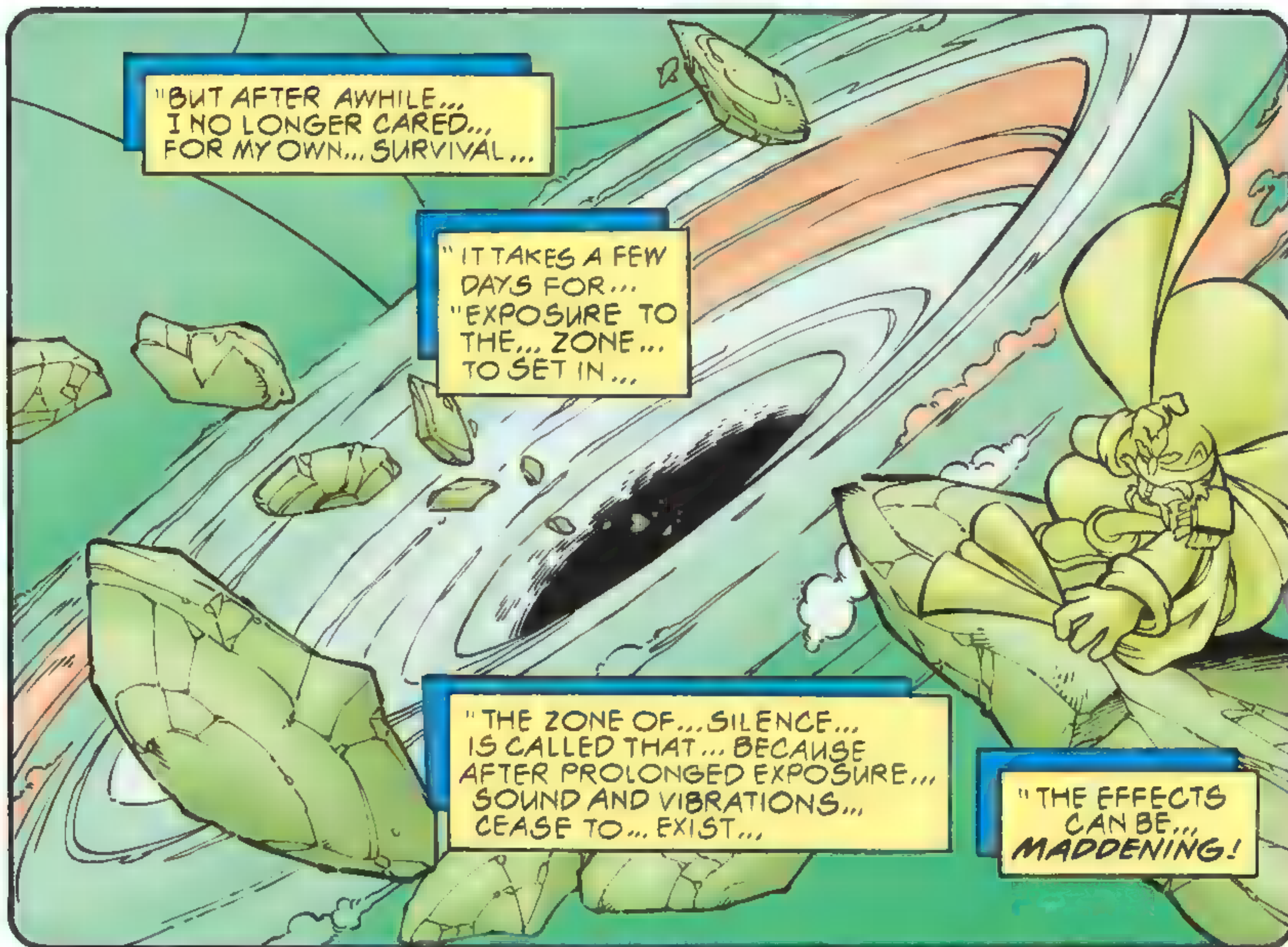
IXIS NAUGUS...
A NAME... I THOUGHT
...NEVER TO HEAR...
AGAIN...

WELL, WE'RE GONNA HEAR IT
A LOT MORE IF WE DON'T STOP
HIM FROM DECLARING HIM-
SELF RIGHTFUL RULER OF
MOBOTROPOLIS!

BUT, LAD, HE IS
...THE RIGHTFUL RULER
OF... MOBOTROPOLIS!

HUH?!



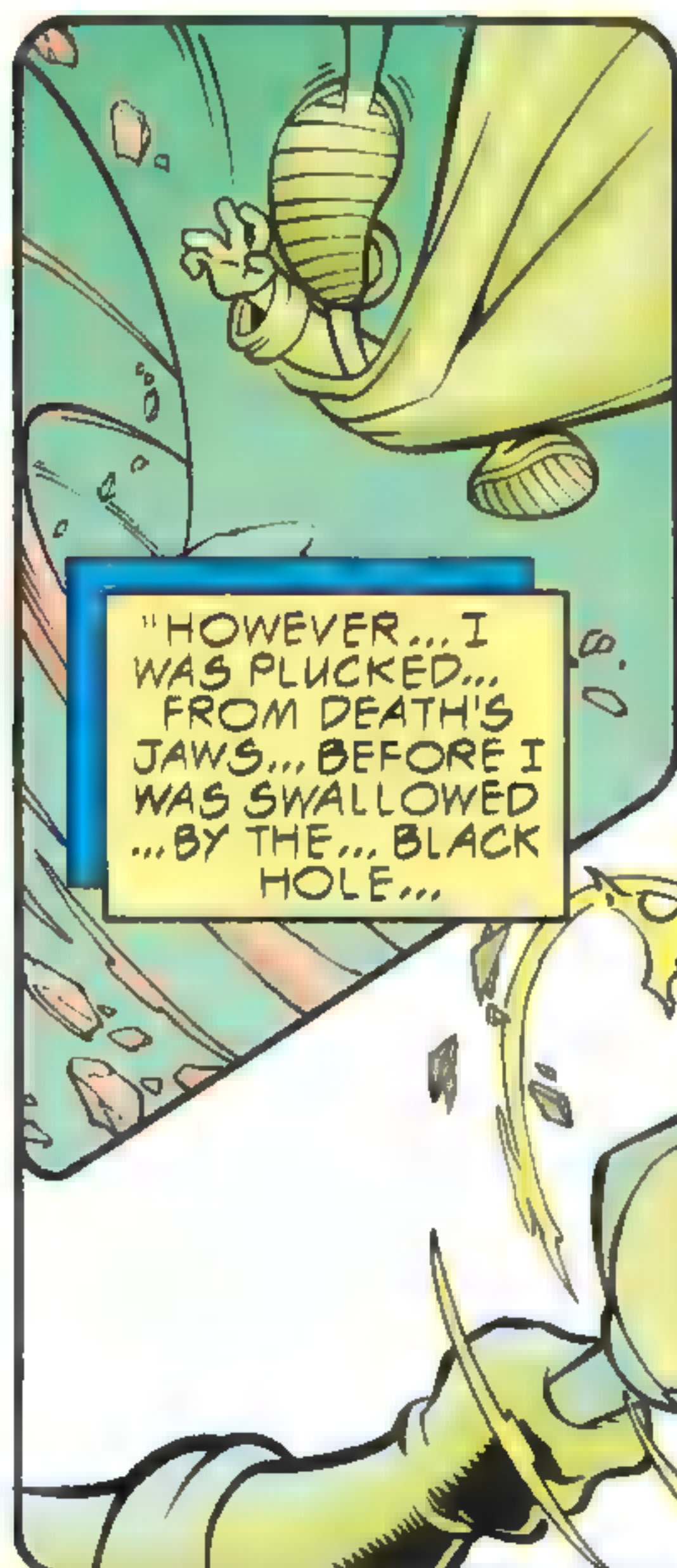


"BUT AFTER AWHILE...
I NO LONGER CARED...
FOR MY OWN... SURVIVAL..."

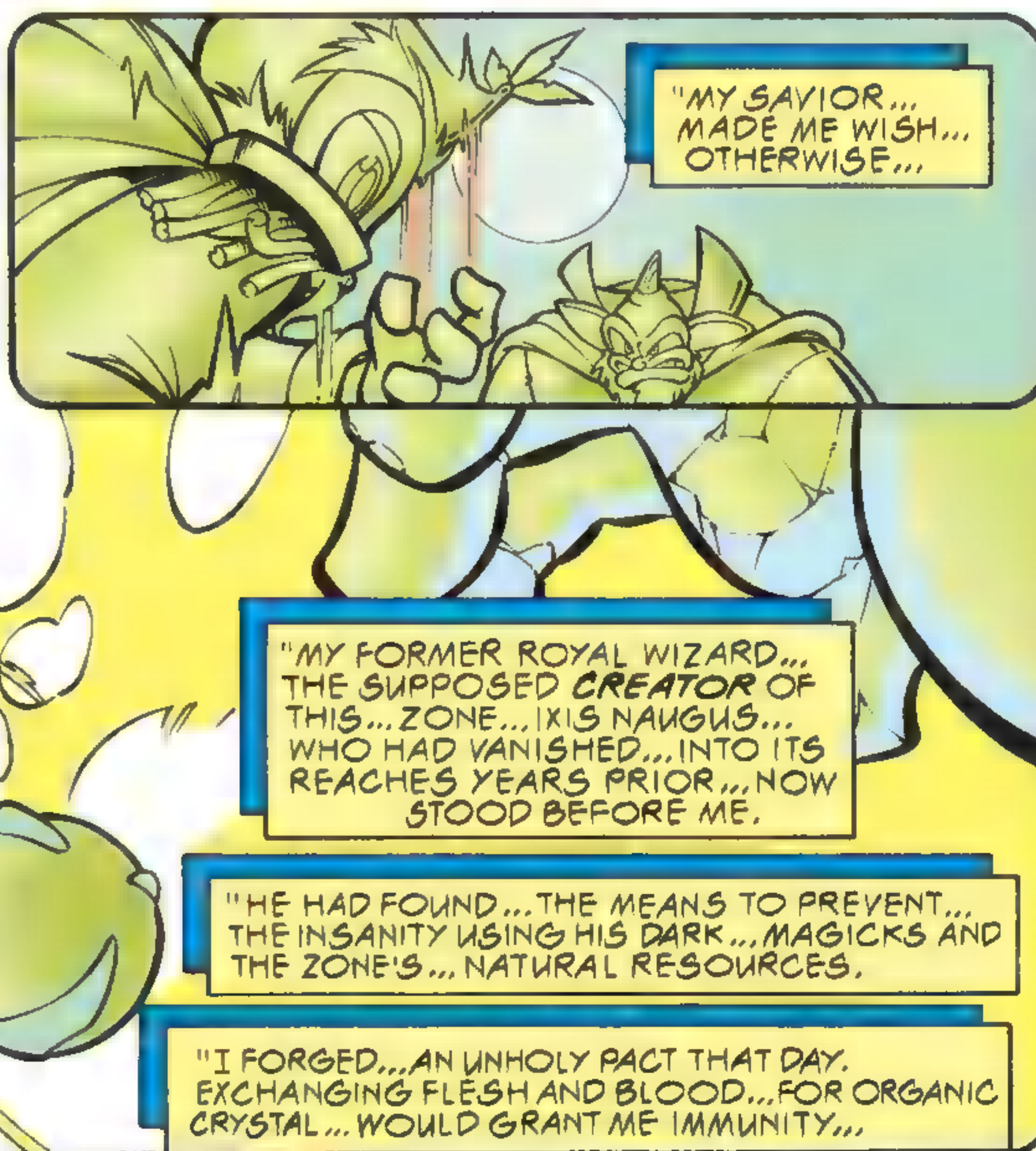
"IT TAKES A FEW
DAYS FOR...
"EXPOSURE TO
THE... ZONE...
TO SET IN..."

"THE ZONE OF... SILENCE...
IS CALLED THAT... BECAUSE
AFTER PROLONGED EXPOSURE...
SOUND AND VIBRATIONS...
CEASE TO... EXIST..."

"THE EFFECTS
CAN BE...
MADDENING!"



"HOWEVER... I
WAS PLUCKED...
FROM DEATH'S
JAWS... BEFORE I
WAS SWALLOWED
...BY THE... BLACK
HOLE..."

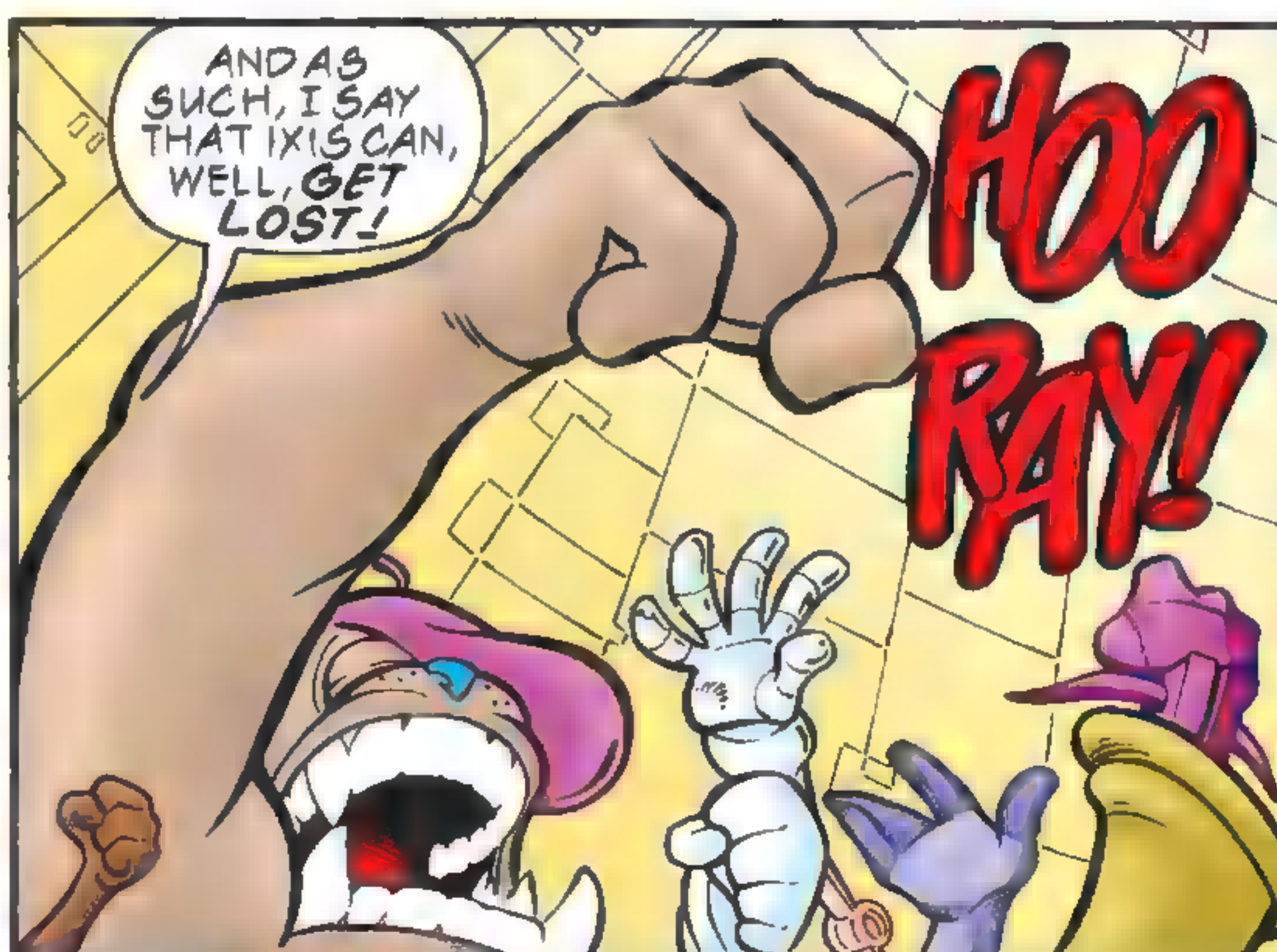
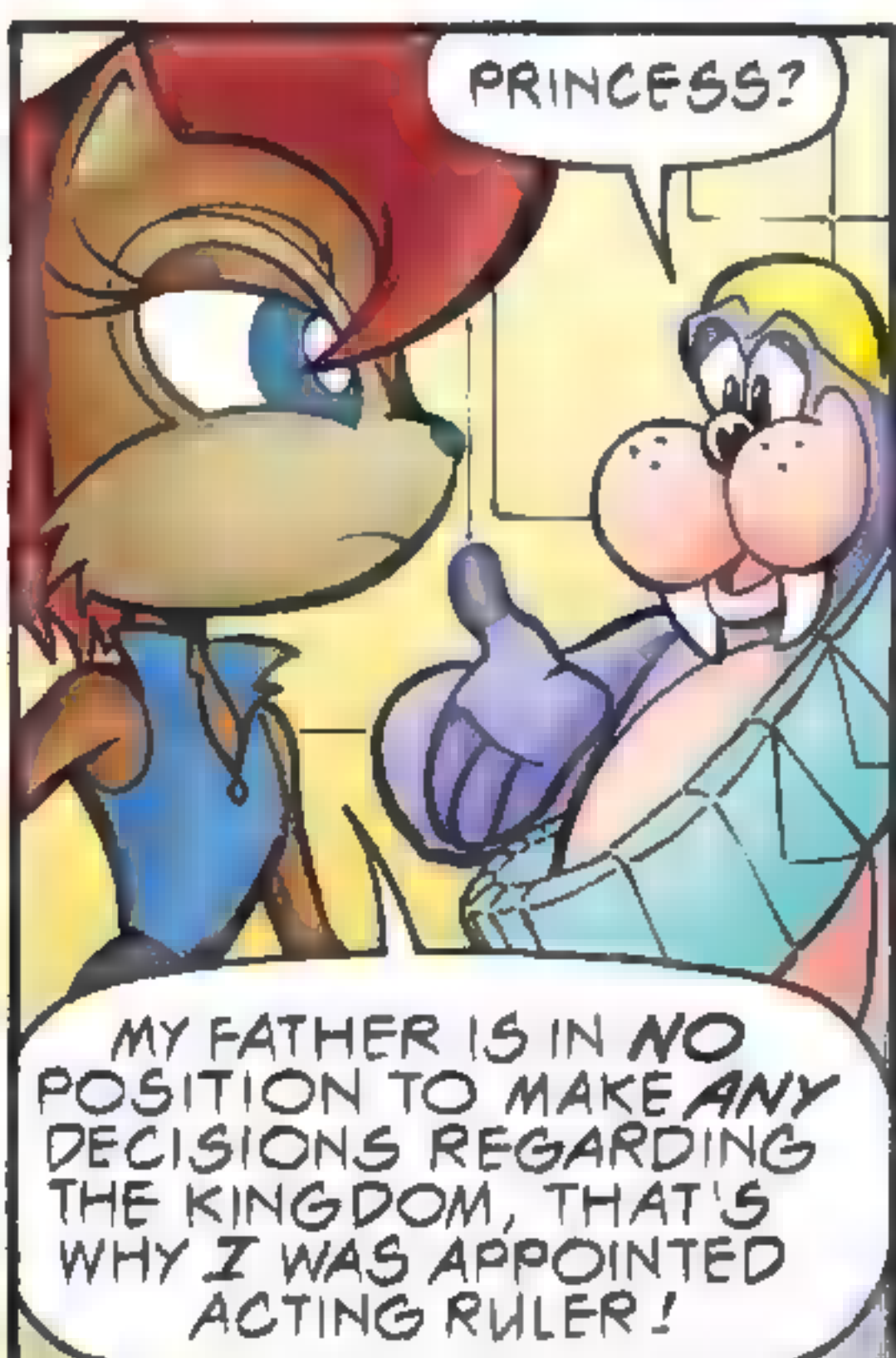
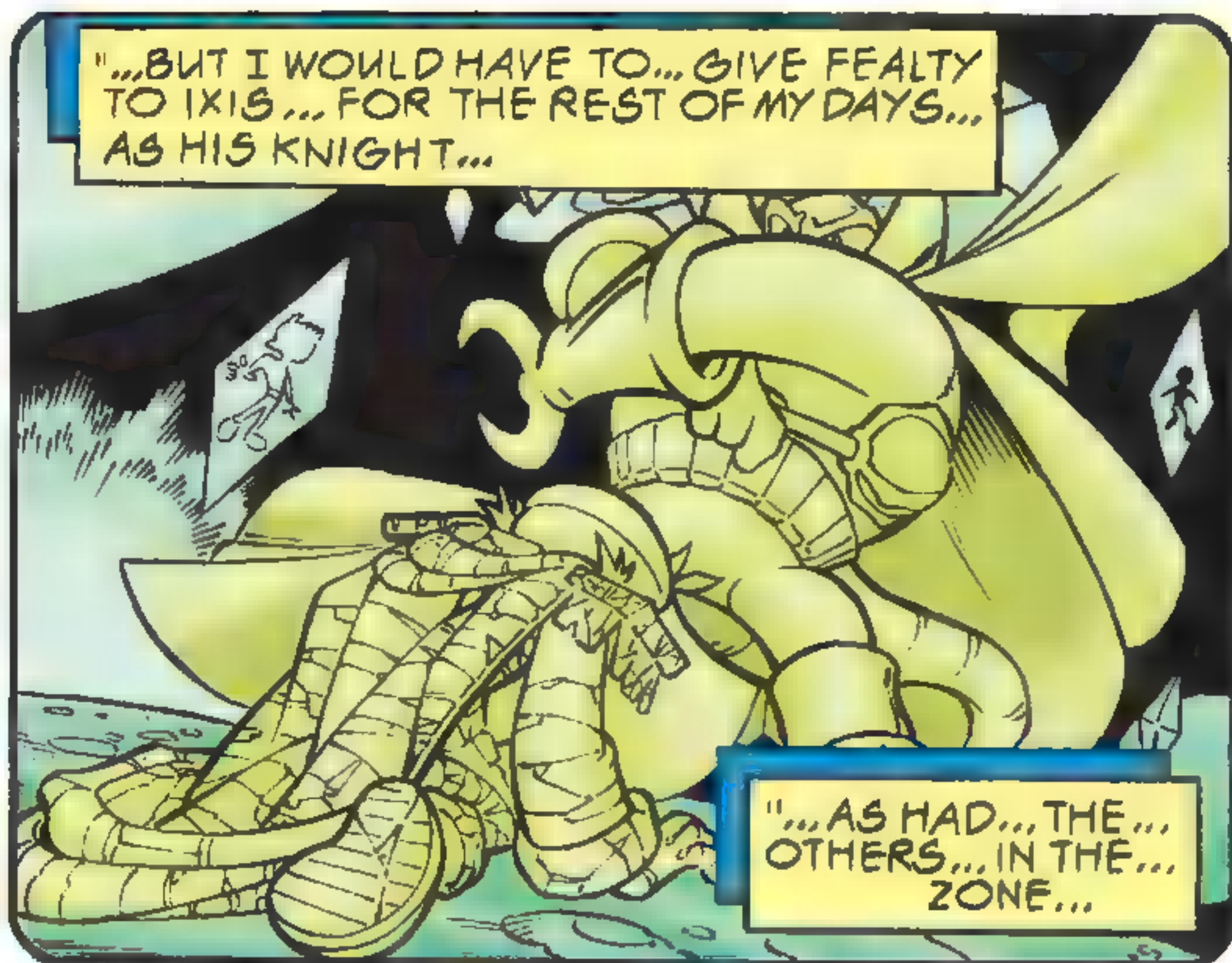


"MY SAVIOR...
MADE ME WISH...
OTHERWISE..."

"MY FORMER ROYAL WIZARD...
THE SUPPOSED **CREATOR** OF
THIS... ZONE... IXIS NAUGUS...
WHO HAD VANISHED... INTO ITS
REACHES YEARS PRIOR... NOW
STOOD BEFORE ME.

"HE HAD FOUND... THE MEANS TO PREVENT...
THE INSANITY USING HIS DARK... MAGICKS AND
THE ZONE'S... NATURAL RESOURCES.

"I FORGED... AN UNHOLY PACT THAT DAY.
EXCHANGING FLESH AND BLOOD... FOR ORGANIC
CRYSTAL... WOULD GRANT ME IMMUNITY..."



SOUNDS

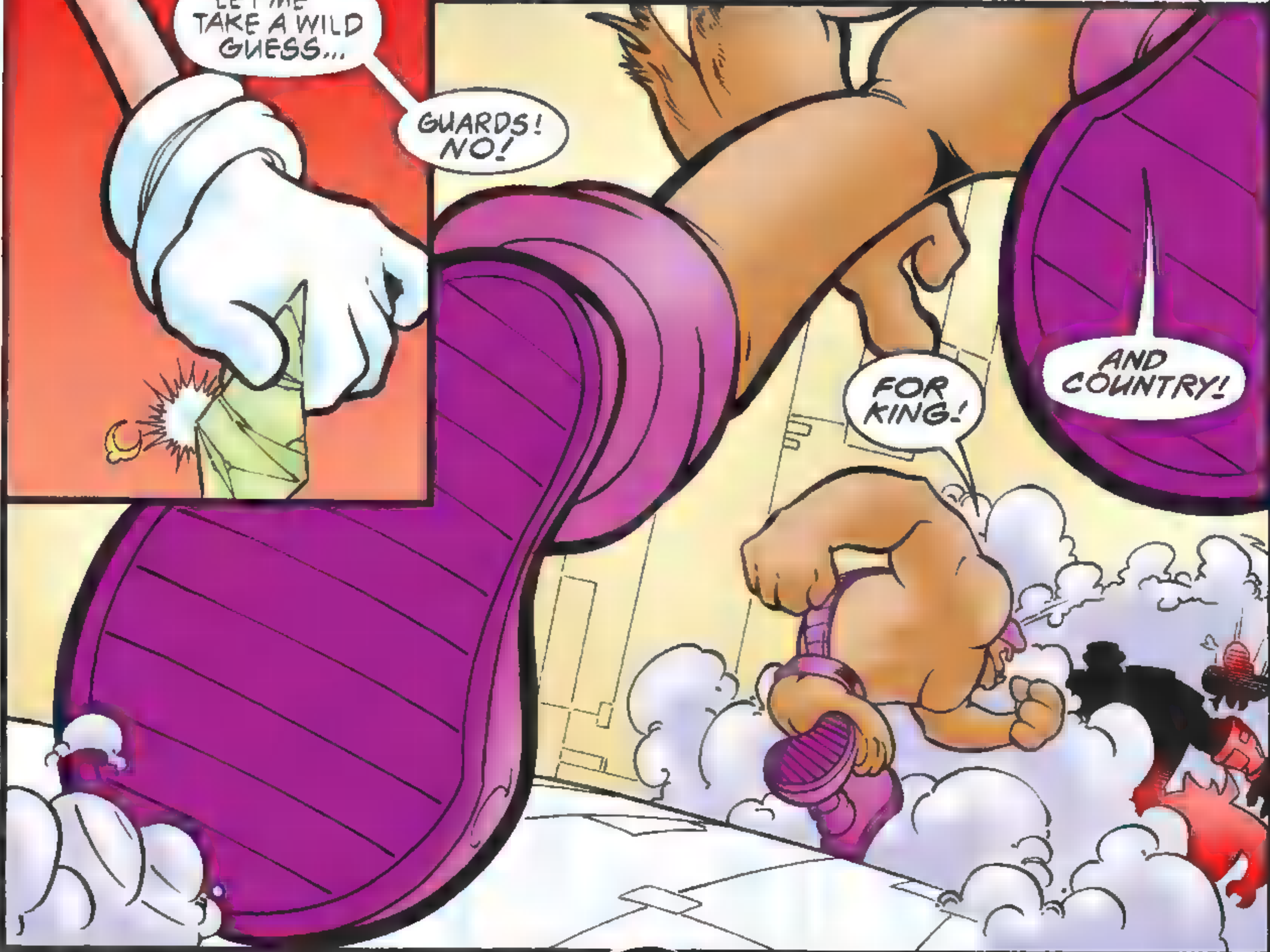
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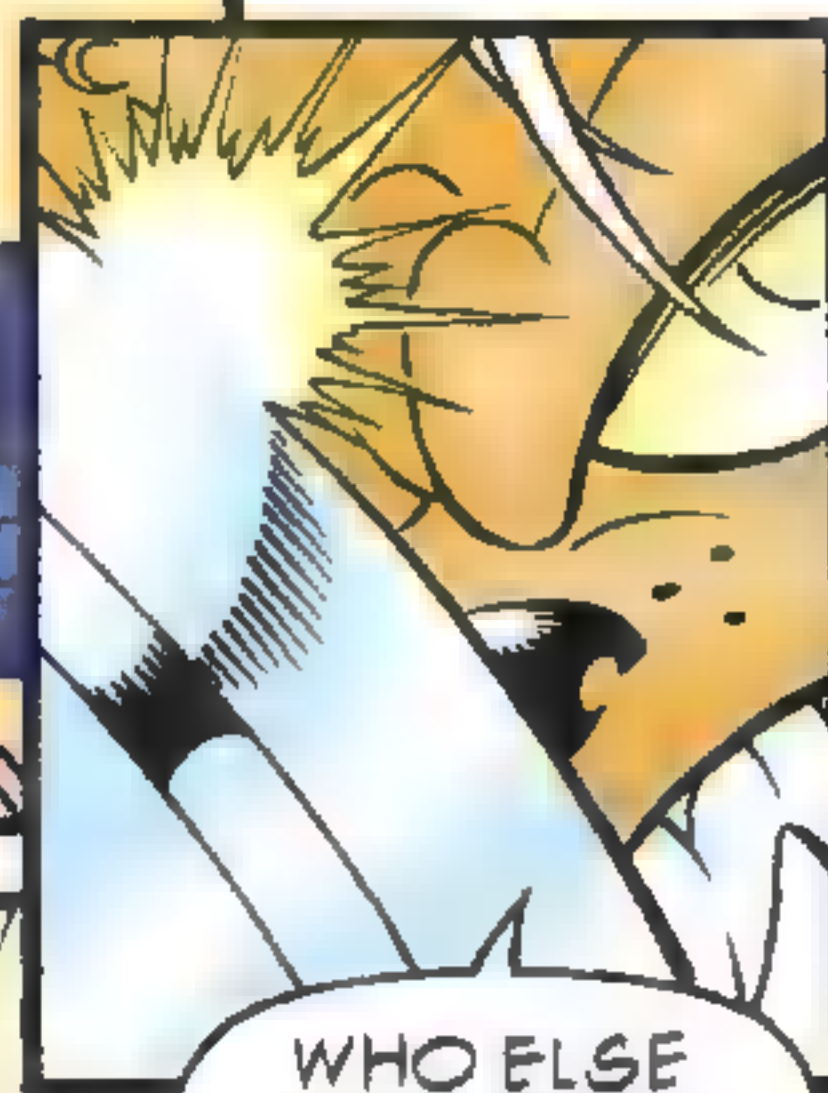
LET ME
TAKE A WILD
GUESS...

GUARDS!
NO!



FOR
KING!

AND
COUNTRY!



WHO ELSE
WOULD BATTLE
KODOS FACE
TO FACE?

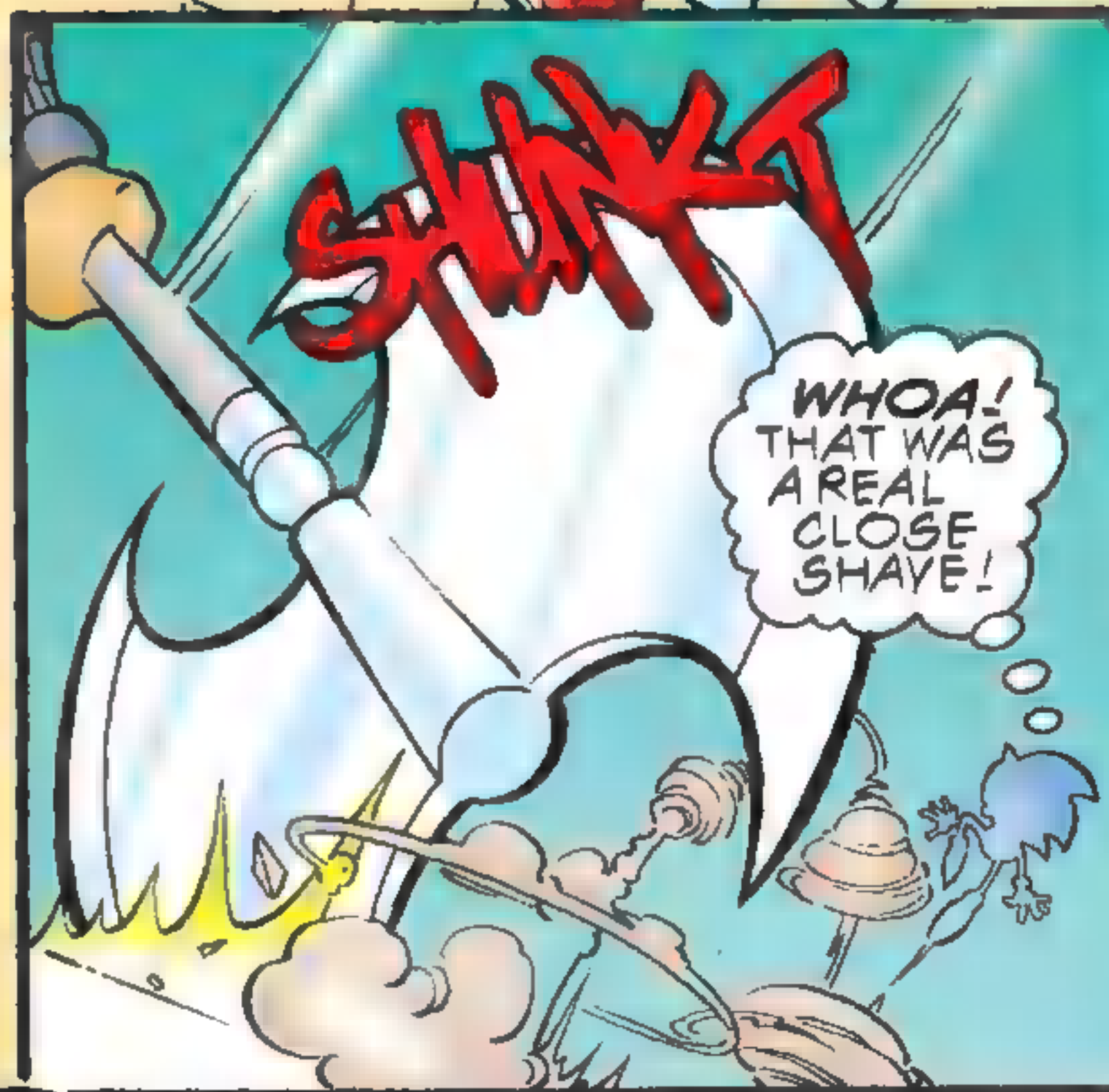
ME!

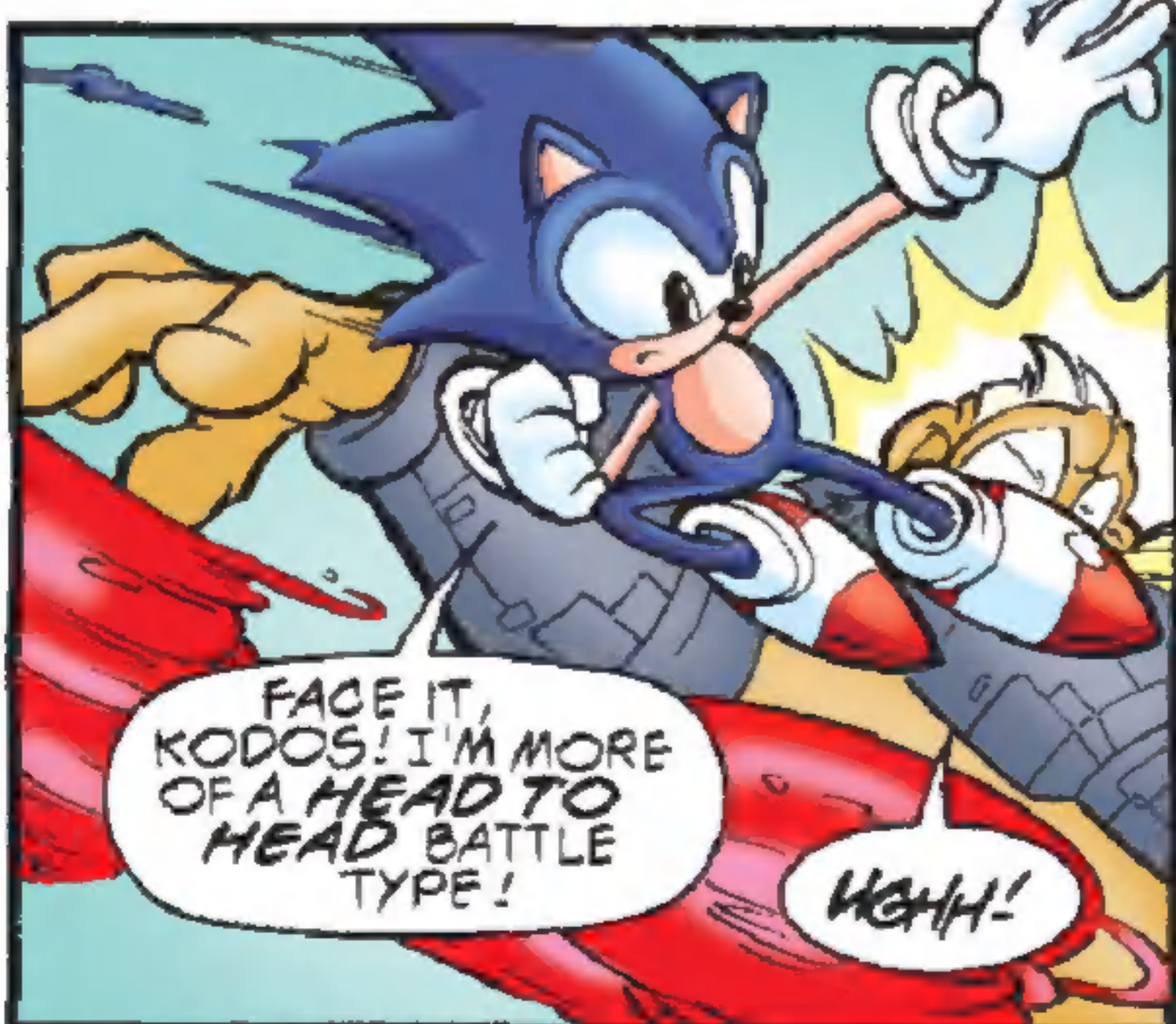
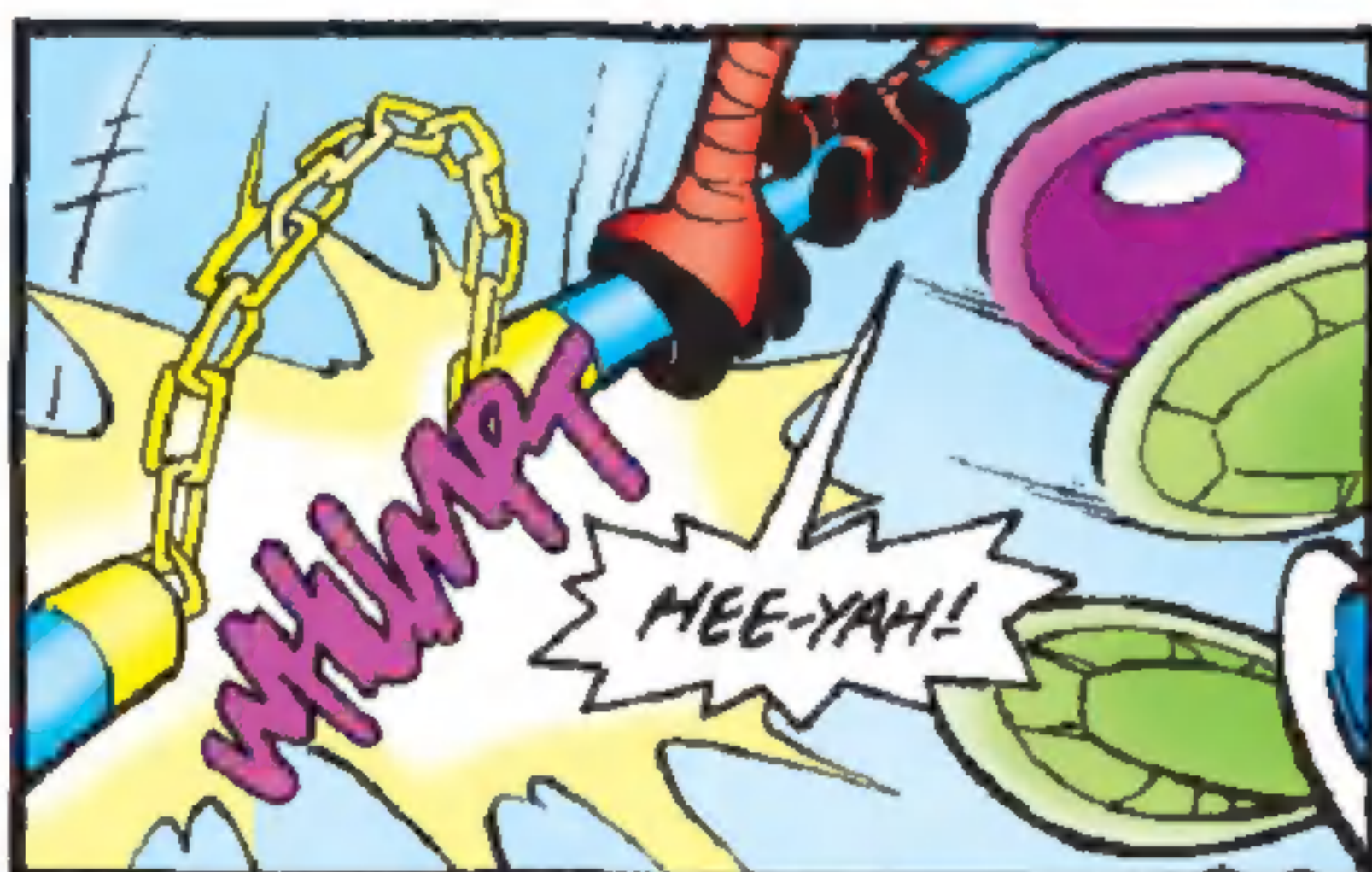
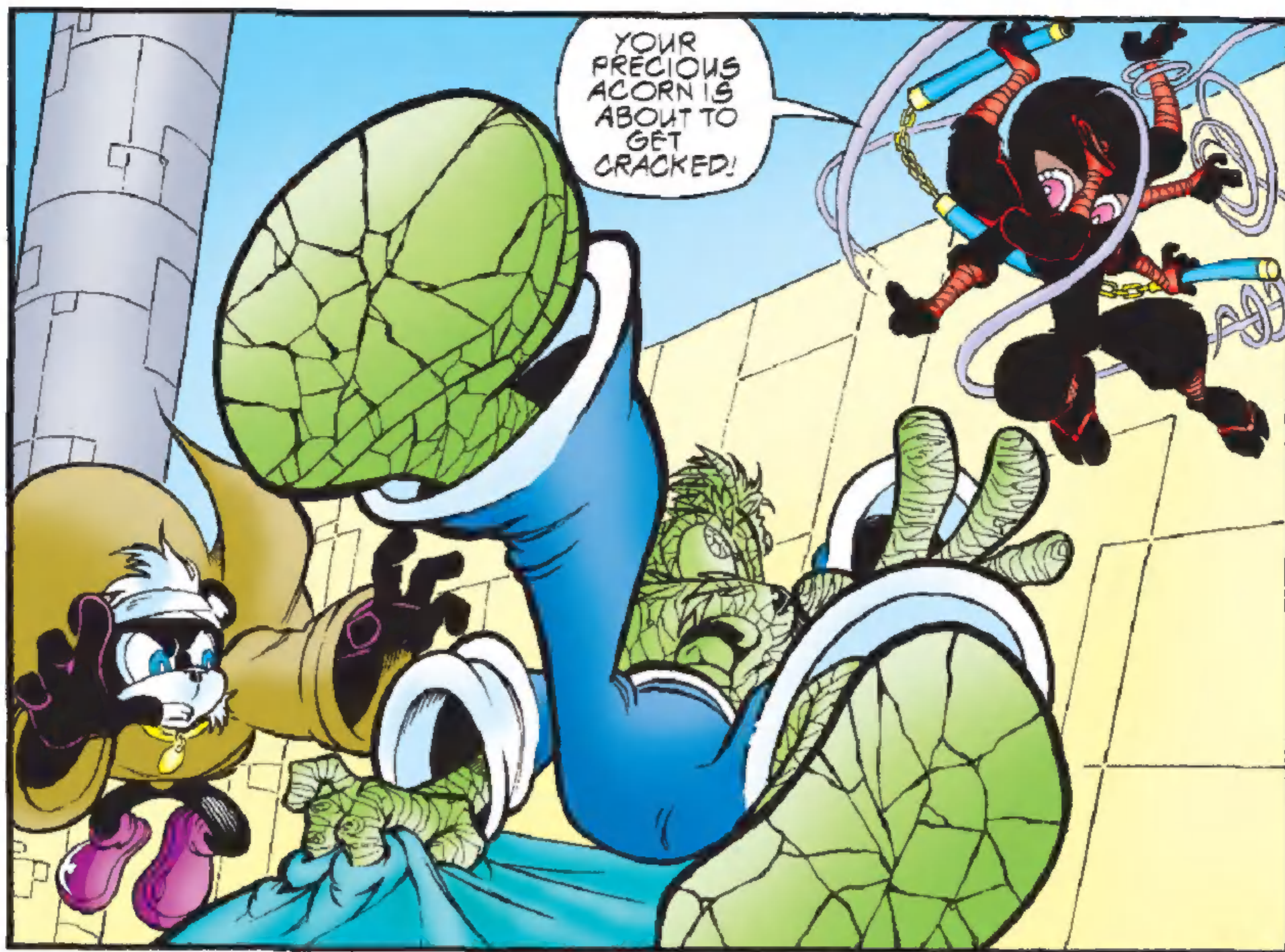
BUT DO WE
HAVE TO DO IT
FACE TO FACE?
YOU'RE KINDA
UGLY!



KODOS!
END THIS!

WE MUST
GET KING
ACORN TO
SAFETY!





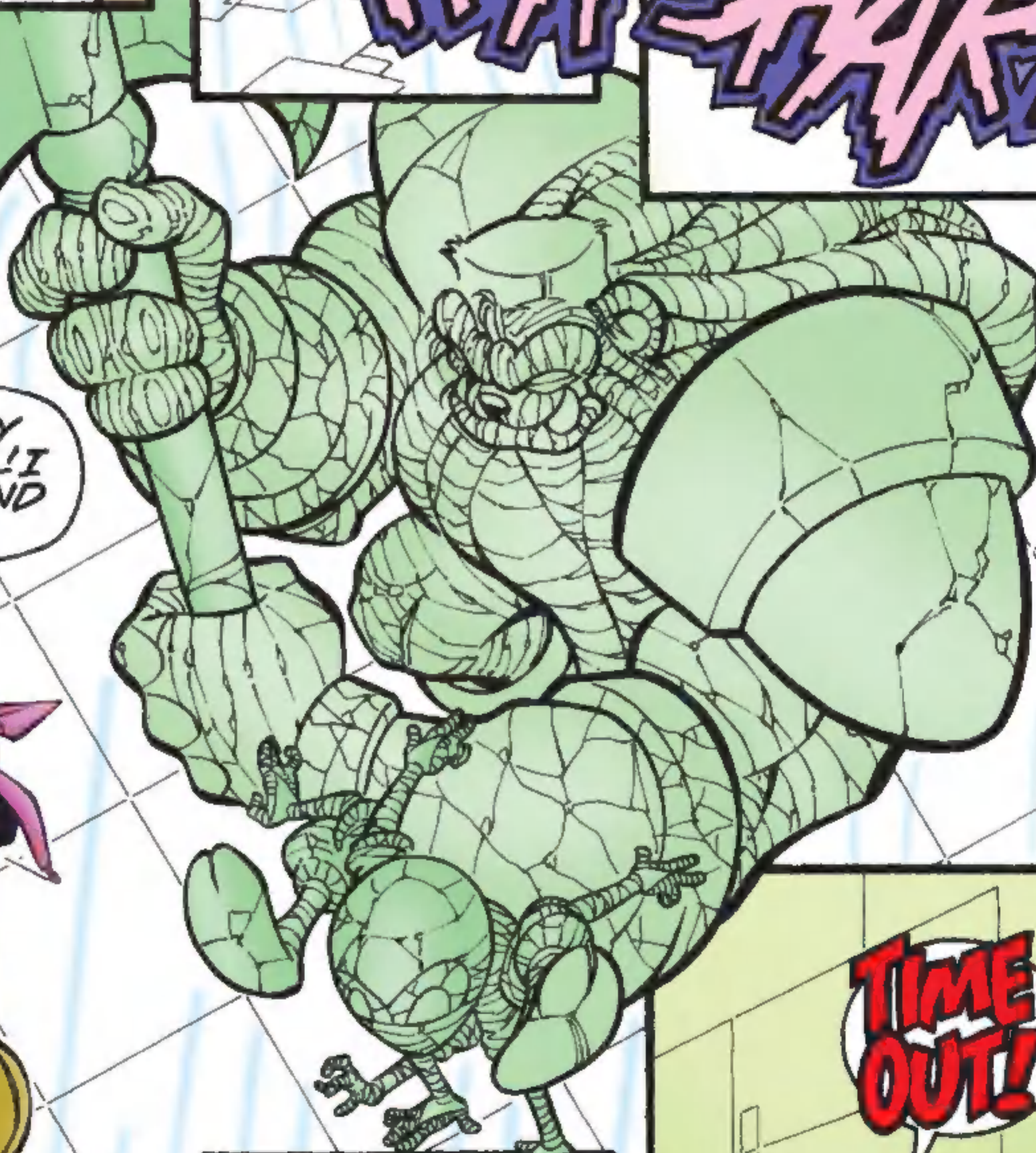


ENOUGH! YOU
HAVE ALL FORCED
MY HAND! NOW WE
MUST END THIS!
SWIFTLY! KODOS!
HMA!



BE
TRANS-
FORMED!

DESTROY
THEM ALL! I
COMMAND
IT!



THERE IS
NO HOPE!

YOU CAN
SAY THAT
AGAIN!





FWOOSH

LOOK!
WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THEM?

WITHOUT
IXIS' WAND
TO POWER
THEM, THEY'RE
LIKE PUPPETS
WITHOUT
STRINGS!

WHERE IS THAT
HORN-HEADED CREEP,
ANYWAY?

GONE!
YOU THINK HE'S
DESTROYED?

FOR GOOD, ROTOR?!
THAT'LL BE THE DAY!
WHY, THESE WOULD-BE
WORLD CONQUERORS
ARE A HEARTY BREED...

**A NEW DAY
DONE!**

AND WHO KNOWS
WHAT TOMORROW
WILL BRING? RECRE-
ATION OR WRECKAGE?
NO ONE CAN SAY...

...NOT
EVEN... **SONIC!**

JOIN US AGAIN IN SONIC #54 AND KNUCKLES #7
AS OUR BRAVE NEW WORLD CONTINUES INTO OVERDRIVE!